REV. DAVID GRANADINO

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Clergy Assignment Record (Detailed)

Rev David F. Granadino

2214 Wilma Ave.
Commerce, CA 90040

Current Primary Assignment

Birth Date	10/4/1955	*Age:*	57
Birth Place	Los Angeles, California, USA	*Deanery:*	22
Diaconate Ordination			
Priesthood Ordination	6/6/1981		
Diocese Name	Archdiocese of Los Angeles		
Date of Incardination	6/6/1981		
Religious Community			
Ritual Ascription	Latin		
Ministry Status	Administrative Leave		
Canon State	Diocesan Priest	*Incard Process*	☐
Begin Pension Date	7/11/1981		
Cell phone	(323) 868-0534		
Seminary	St. John's Seminary, Camarillo		
Ethnicity	English		

Fingerprint Verification and Safeguard Training

Date Background Check

Virtus Training Date

Assignment History

Assignment	*Beginning Date*	*Completion Date*
Administrative Leave, Administrative Leave continues	11/17/2007	
Administrative Leave, Term as pastor declared ended on 11/16/2007.	3/24/2002	11/16/2007
Chaplain-Military, Active Service, Ordered into Active Duty from 11/26/01 through 02/02/02	3/17/2000	2/2/2002
St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church, Azusa Pastor, Active Service, Term as pastor declared ended on 11/16/2007.	7/1/1998	3/23/2002
Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, North Hills Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	7/1/1995	6/30/1998
St. Gerard Majella Catholic Church, Los Angeles Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	9/5/1992	6/30/1995
Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Pacific Palisades Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	7/2/1990	9/4/1992

St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church, Azusa Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	7/9/1985	7/1/1990
St. John of God Catholic Church, Norwalk Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Active Service	7/15/1981	7/8/1985

DATE INITIATED: 1/4/91

NAME: FR. DAVID GRANADINO REDACTED

PERSON MAKING ALLEGATION: REDACTED () Work

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REPORT/ALLEGATION: INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR WITH ALTAR SERVERS - OVERLY AFFECTIONATE

ARCHDIOCESAN ATTORNEY/INSURANCE NOTIFIED: [date]

THERAPISTS/DOCTORS [priest] REDACTED REDACTED ()

THERAPISTS/DOCTORS: ()
[for others] ()

ADDITIONAL CONTACT PERSONS: ST. LUKE INSTITUTE ()
()

ADVOCATES/ATTORNEY: ()
()

CASE CHRONOLOGY:

DATE

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1531 West Ninth Street
Los Angeles California 90015-1194

August 13, 1991

REDACTEDREDACTED
Corpus Christi School
890 Toyopa Drive
Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

Dear REDACTEDREDACTED

I understand you are on vacation presently.

I would appreciate your getting in contact with me upon your return.

We left unanswered some questions with regard to the conduct of Father David Granadino in his work with the altar boys. My notes from April 19 remind me that you were planning to talk to Father David, and that you would call me afterwards -- prior to my discussing the matter with him.

I will look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

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AGREEMENT

It is understood that with the signing of this agreement, the following points will govern Father David Granadino's behavior in his assignment as Associate Pastor of Corpus Christi Church, Pacific Palisades.

(1) That he will begin to diminish the amount of time and energy spent in the parish Altar Boy program, without letting that program be cancelled or fall into disrepair;

(2) That he will discontinue visits to the homes of the Altar Boys;

(3) That he will not take minors with him in his car;

(4) That physical contact with minors will be limited to shaking hands.

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(Rev.) David F. Granadino

REDACTED

Date: 29 December 1991

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Los Angeles California 90015-1194

FAX TO (301) 967-3953

REDACTED

St. Luke Institute
2420 Brooks Drive
Suitland MD 20746-5294

Dear REDACTED

This letter is by way of introducing Father David Granadino, who will arrive at St. Luke Institute for evaluation January 12, 1992.

Father Granadino was ordained in 1981 from our Archdiocesan Seminary and is 36 years of age. He has served in three parishes and, overall, seems to have a fine record. There has been some concern about his heavy involvement in extra-parochial activity through the years, e.g., the Reserves, the International Olympic Committee, and a diplomatic committee in the city of Los Angeles that welcomes foreign dignitaries. None of these involvements are of themselves questionable, other than in terms of the extent of time and energy he is devoting to them. I meantion them only as background so that you understand why he may have some difficulty in settling down to and focusing on an assignment.

In each of the parishes to which he was appointed, Father Granadino put together a formidable altar boy program, based on a military model. In his first parish, there were as many as 150 boys involved. He gave them ranks and uniforms, and he himself wore a general's hat at times of ceremony. This group was known throughout the community and marched in the town's annual parade. He has always been very open about this activity, and parish communities seem to have been supportive and even encouraging of his work with youth.

Until the Fall of 1991, we had never received any complaints about Father Granadino. At that time, however, the principal of his parish school communicated to me that her sixth grade teacher REDACTED had been visited by a school parent, REDACTED whose child she had taught the previous year. While conducting a sixth grade religion class at that time, REDACTED had made some remarks about communication and the expression of emotions. A number of the altar boys in her class, including REDACTED spoke up and said they were uncomfortable with Father Granadino's expression of affection, in that he hugged them and kissed them on the forehead. REDACTED , REDACTED mother, now informed REDACTED REDACTED that her son had come to her saying he felt uncomfortable around Father Granadino, who had been invited to visit their home on a number of occasions.

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The following report of incidents that subsequently came to light is based on a composite of my discussions with the principal of the school, with REDACTED with REDACTED and with REDACTED

REDACTED related that Father Granadino was a welcome guest in her home, and that he had gone there a couple of times for dinner and to watch TV with her REDACTED sons REDACTED now in seventh grade, and a REDACTED son, now in second grade. She described Father Granadino's becoming very playful with the boys, often roughhousing with them, and pulling REDACTED down to sit on his lap. She said she had seen him rub the back of REDACTED head with his own face.

While REDACTED hesitated to use the word "nuzzling", that was the word later used by her brother, REDACTED to describe Father Granadino's behavior. REDACTED father divorced his wife a year ago, and Mr. REDACTED became the only male relative in the boys' lives. He lives out of state, but has taken an interest in his nephews and visits as often as possible.) One evening while he was there, Father Granadino came and sat down with him and the two boys in the kitchen, pulling REDACTED onto his lap and putting his arms around REDACTED waist as he sat there. REDACTED told me that he was infuriated by Father Granadino's behavior, came very close to confronting him, and hesitated only because of his priesthood and because REDACTED seemed to see nothing wrong with it.

REDACTED himself finally came to his mother to express his own discomfort with Father Granadino's pulling him onto his lap and affectionate behavior, and he then told her that one evening, when he walked Father Granadino out to his car, Father turned to him and said "I love you--I need you." Two weeks later, in the sacristy after Mass, when the other boys had left and REDACTED was alone with Father Granadino, he once again told him "I love you and I need you." It was at this point that REDACTED went to REDACTED who went to the principal, who, in turn, called me.

When I confronted Father Granadino on these issues (along with the Pastor of his parish, REDACTED and my associate, Father REDACTED REDACTED asked to be present. She made it clear that she wanted personally to present her concerns to Father Granadino, and she expressed her faith in him and her certainty that there was nothing morally inappropriate in what she had observed.

REDACTED does not see eye-to-eye with his sister in the matter, although he acknowledges that Father Granadino has a lot to offer to the Church and to the community. His observations led him to say that Father's behavior towards his nephew frightened and angered him, and that it was certainly inappropriate and must cease.

The principal of the school and Miss REDACTED have stated that Father Granadino spends a good deal of time with his altar boys, sometimes visiting them at the school, but that he does not relate well to women on the faculty nor to the female students. The school secretary remarked: "I sure wouldn't want one of my boys in his altar boy group." When the principal asked why she would say that,

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she replied: "There is just something about him." Miss REDACTED commented that he does not know how to treat women, that "he just clicks his fingers when he wants me."

Since these reports, I have met with Father Granadino several times, and I see certain positive elements: Unlike a number of others about whom we have had suspicions ofpedophiliac tendencies, he has a regular support group of priests with whom he communicates on an intimate basis. He has, for example, shared the facts of his having been reported to me and other authorities over these incidents. While he was humiliated and embarrassed by the reports, he did not demonstrate denial--as has been characteristic of some of the men I have dealt with. He acknowledged all the behavior described by REDACTED and his mother, as well as the report from the principal that he drives altar boys to their homes on Saturdays after practice and dismisses them with a kiss on the cheek or forehead. He was able to see how telling REDACTED "I love you and I need you" was inappropriate. At one point, I questioned Father Granadino about any behavior with boys that he himself later felt uncomfortable about. He replied, "Yes, sometimes I have come up from behind a boy and put my arms around him, and I'd get a reaction, and later I'd say to myself 'I shouldn't do that'."

We are sending Father Granadino to you for evaluation because we are not certain about his sexual tendencies with minors. We suspect that there has been, as he claims, no genital contact at any time with youngsters. However, REDACTED and I both feel that he may be "ripe for future weakness", and while there may never have been any serious acting out, there is a need to confront this behavior before it develops further. Father Granadino seems to have an emotional need to be inappropriately close to young boys, and this is something that will have to be changed if he is to continue in ministerial assignment. So that you are aware of his present situation in his assignment, I am attaching copy of a "contract" recently signed by him and his Pastor.

In speaking with Father Granadino, I get the sense that he himself has doubts about his own sexual feelings. I suspect that he does not deal clearly or consciously with them and perhaps struggles to avoid conscious reflection on what he is doing. He seems quite willing, following his initial embarrassment, to go through this evaluation, and it is our hope that it will reveal to us and to him something about his own emotional needs and how he can develop maturely in this area. If there are any other questions you have during the week of evaluation, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Timothy J. Dyer

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

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Saint Luke Institute

January 24, 1992

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Reverend Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015

Re: Reverend David Granadino
REDACTED

Dear Father Dyer:

Thank you for your referral of Father David Granadino who is, as you know, a thirty-six year old priest from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Father Granadino's referral was precipitated by complaints from several sources that his behavior with twelve year old boys made observers uncomfortable. Father Granadino's behavior reportedly includes "rough housing", kissing boys on the forehead and cheek, and expressions of physical affection. Father Granadino was reportedly warned by a teacher in 1990 that some boys felt uncomfortable when he put his arms around them. In the fall of 1991, a school parent complained that her son felt uncomfortable with Father Granadino's expressions of affection. Father Granadino does not deny the specific behaviors cited by others, but does deny that his behavior is sexually motivated. REDACTED
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It was in the fall of 1990 that a teacher reportedly came to Father Granadino to tell him that some of the altar boys had complained that they didn't like the way Father Granadino kissed them and touched them. Father Granadino points out that he has had a history of being involved with altar boys in his previous assignments. He has organized the altar boys in somewhat of a military type grouping; he reports that this idea has received positive support in all his parish assignments. He further notes that his habit of giving altar boys a kiss on the forehead or a hug was something that he engaged in at all his assignments and never had any problem with this behavior. Father Granadino says that he believes his Mexican American upbringing has prompted him to be more physically affectionate with others than the people in this latest parish were used to. Nevertheless, Father Granadino reportedly took this information quite seriously and wondered how his behavior could have been misread by these boys. He states that his behavior changed towards the boys in that he "didn't reach out as often" in the same physical way.

It was reportedly in the fall of 1991 that one of these boys informed his mother that he felt quite uncomfortable about the way Father Granadino was behaving toward him. The boy's mother reports that Father Granadino was very playful with her son and at one point rubbed the back of her son's head with his (Father Granadino's) own face. In addition, the boy's mother stated that her brother had witnessed Father Granadino's behavior with her son and had become quite upset. Father Granadino had reportedly pulled the boy onto his lap and put his arm around the boy's waist as he sat talking to the boy's uncle. The boy also reported that Father Granadino had said to him "I love you - I need you".

Father Granadino does not deny any of the behavior cited by the boy's mother. He denies that he was sexually motivated in any way. He believes he is as affectionate with the altar servers as he is with people in general.

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REDACTED If you have any questions or we can be of other assistance please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Stephen Montana Ph.D

Stephen Montana, Ph.D.
Clinical Psychologist
Director, Outpatient Department

REDACTED

CC: Reverend David Granadino

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MEMORANDUM

February 21, 1992

TO: Cardinal Mahony

FROM: Father Timothy Dyer

RE: Fr. David Granadino

Attached is the evaluation report from REDACTED for Fr. David Granadino. I will be in to discuss the recommendations with you once you've had a chance to read the report.

Let's discuss it.

+ RMM

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March 18, 1992

Rev. David Granadino
Corpus Christi Church
887 Toyopa Drive
Pacific Palisades CA 90272

Dear Father Granadino:

In line with our conversation here in my office on March 16, I want to outline the points we agreed upon following the January 24, 1992 report from St. Luke Institute.

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REDACTED has indicated, however, that should there be further questions raised about your behavior, he would reconsider either that or other testing, in line with the recommendations of the Institute.

Secondly, we are presently seeking the best possible therapist, so that you may begin counseling to focus on the various sexual and personality issues described in the report. You will be hearing from me again just as soon as we have located the therapist we will recommend.

Finally, we ask that throughout your present assignment, and perhaps into the next, you not be in charge of the altar boys or other ministries that involve minors. We do not ask this because of any lingering doubts on our part, but rather to be on the safe side and to take all possible precaution --both for your sake and to avoid any further comments in the parish. This recommendation includes your continuing to abide by the written agreement signed by you and REDACTED here on December 30, 1991.

In light of these recommendations, I am concerned that you may experience a sense of depression--or feel that the Archdiocese lacks confidence in you and your priestly ministry. As Father Richey and I repeatedly told you in the office, this is simply not the case. For all of our priests in this day and age, anything that involves minors must be treated with the utmost precaution. You have, however, served in a number of parishes in which you have dealt closely with minors and, prior to this time, we have never received any indication of misconduct.

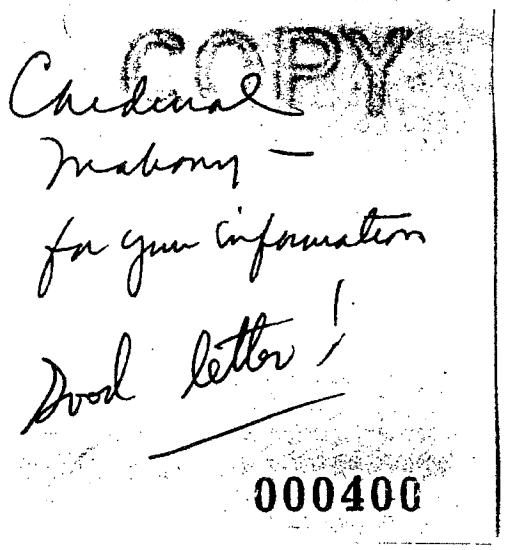
I would also repeat that counseling is not being recommended as a punitive measure. We see it as an opportunity for growth and human development that can only affect for the better your priestly ministry.

You are in my prayers, and I am here to serve you at any time that I can be of help.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

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Mahony —
for your information
Good letter!
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① pls keep for ref.
② I'll call him over weekend
③ Mom - I'll want to discuss a letter to Grandma re this psychiatrist REDACTED

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The mom REDACTED recommended for victims and perpetrators of child abuse. His specialty is the 'latency' period, altar boy age.

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April 28, 1992

REDACTED

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Los Angeles, CA 90049

Dear Doctor REDACTED

I am sending you the enclosed confidential evaluation report from St. Luke Institute at the instruction of Monsignor Timothy J. Dyer, Vicar for Clergy.

The report deals with Father David Granadino. After Monsignor Dyer sent you the original background material, he indicated that he had spoken with you on the telephone and that you had requested the St. Luke evaluation also.

Sincerely yours,

REDACTED

Enclosure

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MEMORANDUM CONFIDENTIAL

May 12, 1992

TO: Cardinal Mahony

FROM: Father Timothy Dyer

RE: Fr. David Granadino

This is simply a brief follow-up to say that Fr. Granadino has been referred by Dr. [redacted] to Dr. [redacted], a psychiatrist with a background in the area that has affected Fr. Granadino. I spoke with Fr. Granadino this morning: he has been seeing Dr. [redacted] twice a week for four weeks and is very pleased with him.

Apart from this, Fr. Granadino is restricted from ministry to minors in the parish and Msgr. Mihan has the responsibility to oversee this arrangement. At present, I am pleased to say that Fr. Granadino has been most cooperative with all aspects of our intervention and follow-up. I see no danger posed by his involvement in full-time ministry.

Apart from the above, Fr. Granadino mentioned that things were going quite well in the parish and that his relationship with Msgr. Mihan -- both in terms of personal support as well as work -- is very positive. Since the time you asked Bishop Ward to have a hearing with Msgr. Mihan (Msgr. Torgerson and I in attendance), I have heard nothing as regards future movement in that parish. If Bishop Ward made recommendations to you following that meeting, I am unaware of them. I would say, however, that at this point it would probably be in the best interests of Fr. Granadino that he continue on at Corpus Cristi for the time being -- as he is within a mile of Dr. [redacted]'s office and enthusiastic about the effects his ministry together with Msgr. Mihan is having on the parish.

None

I concur in all the above-points!

+ RMM

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20 July 1992

Rev. Msgr. Timothy J. Dyer
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
VICAR OF CLERGY
1531 West Ninth Street
Los Angeles, California 90015-1194

CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Monsignor Dyer:

I am Father David F. Granadino, presently at Corpus Christi Church in Pacific Palisades. I called your office today and your secretary told me that you are presently on vacation, and would not return to your office until August 10th.

In regards to my situation, I was hoping that you would be able to talk to REDACTED, on August 13th, Thursday afternoon at 2:00 in the afternoon. It is then that REDACTED and myself have agreed to be present for any conversation that you would like to have with him. This may be done either in person, or by phone. This is his address and phone number:

REDACTED

If you are unable to talk to REDACTED and myself at the above stated time, please contact REDACTED himself. I will be in Barcelona, Spain, until August 11th, late in the evening.

I am looking forward to starting my new parish assignment. Please keep me in your prayers, and I say a prayer for you right now. May the Lord continue to bless you with wisdom.

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Sincerely,

(Rev. Fr.) David F. Granadino
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

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REDACTED

15 March 1993

Reverend Monsignor Timothy J. Dyer
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
VICAR OF CLERGY
1531 West Ninth Street
Los Angeles, California 90015

RE: The Reverend David F. Granadino
SAINT GERARD MAJELLA CHURCH
Los Angeles, California

Dear Monsignor Dyer:

Pursuant to your request I am writing this letter regarding Father David Granadino. I have been treating Father Granadino since April 1992. In October 1991, serious concerns were communicated to you concerning Father Granadino's demonstrative relationships with the altar boys of the parish. This was communicated REDACTED and the principal, REDACTED of his parish school at the time, the Corpus Christi School in Pacific Palisades, by REDACTED and confirmed by REDACTED REDACTED No accusations of sexual misconduct were made. Concern was expressed that Father Granadino should look carefully at his relationships with minor children in his ministry.

In October 1991, Father Granadino, you, REDACTED and REDACTED REDACTED met at the Corpus Christi Rectory in Pacific Palisades. Concerns about Father Granadino's demonstrative behavior towards REDACTED and other altar boys were expressed. REDACTED and REDACTED described him having a curt professional relationship with some women on the school staff.

Father Granadino was given a written restriction on his ministry to the young people of his parish. He was also asked to go for a psychiatric evaluation at SAINT LUKE'S INSTITUTE in Suitland, Maryland. He spent a week in evaluation at Saint Luke's Institute in January 1992. After his return from Saint Luke's Institute, he entered a therapeutic relationship with me in April 1992. We have been in this therapeutic relationship for 11 months.

The evaluation from Saint Luke's Institute, and my own evaluation have found that there is no evidence that Father Granadino has any sexual attraction to children, nor has ever exhibited any sexual behaviors with minors. Father

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Granadino has emotional needs which have origin in childhood and family issues which were triggered at the Palisades parish. With a better understanding of his background, his emotional makeup, and needs, he has modified his behavior, and continues to monitor himself.

In August 1992, you and I met with Father Granadino for an evaluation of the restrictions placed on Father Granadino's ministry. As there was no evidence or indication that Father Granadino has any sexual preference for children, nor has acted sexually towards minors, I suggested lifting the restrictions in regard to his ministry with minors. He was entering a new parish assignment at Saint Gerard's Majella Church in Los Angeles.

Since then, Father Granadino has continued to explore his emotional and sexual self in therapy. I find Father Granadino to be an open and introspective person. I believe he is a much better and more mature priest in ministry because of these experiences. I believe that the likelihood of Father Granadino ever committing a sexual act with children is quite low.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

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MEMORANDUM

March 20, 1993

TO: Cardinal Mahony

FROM: Father Timothy Dyer

RE: Fr. Granadino

Attached is a report from Dr. REDACTED on his therapy with Fr. David Granadino. I asked for this report at the time Fr. Granadino expressed interest in placing his name as a candidate for pastor of St. Joseph the Worker parish. At the time, Dr. REDACTED assured me he would place no restrictions on Fr. Granadino for such a position and would put that professional opinion in writing.

Good news –

+ RMK

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ST. GERARD MAJELLA CHURCH
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Los Angeles (Mar Vista), CA 90066-6299
(310) 390-5034

8 February 1994

His Eminence, Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
ARCHBISHOP OF LOS ANGELES
1531 West Ninth Street
Los Angeles, California 90015

RE: Application for the Pastorate of Saint Alphonsus Church; East Los Angeles

Your Eminence:

I am Father David F. Granadino, and I am presently the associate pastor of Saint Gerard Majella Church in West Los Angeles. I was ordained for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles on June 6, 1981, and I will be joyfully celebrating my thirteenth anniversary of my sacredotal ordination soon.

I would like to submit my name for consideration for the pastorate of SAINT ALPHONSUS CHURCH in East Los Angeles. I do believe that I do possess the ability and talents to lead the people of God in East Los Angeles.

Already, you are aware of my qualifications and my leadership skills. In my present parish assignment, I have successfully reorganized and re-animated the Spanish-speaking programs that existed previously but went into hiatus due to the confusion and change of personnel during 1992. In the re-establishment of the Spanish-speaking ministries, the Spanish-speaking community's active involvement in the parish life has grown immensely! The Lord is doing great things!

I believe it is important to consider a Mexican-American priest to be the pastor of Saint Alphonsus Church. My vision of parish family unity in Christ can be achieved by someone who can build bridges between those born here and those who are immigrants making East Los Angeles their new home. I believe I am ready to accept this challenge in ministry.

If I am called by you to the pastorate of Saint Alphonsus Church, or any other pastorate, be assured that I will fulfill this responsibility with all my being and gifts with the Father's help and the Spirit's guidance.

Sincerely,

(Rev. Fr.) David F. Granadino
ASSOCIATE PASTOR
SAINT GERARD MAJELLA CHURCH
Los Angeles, California

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MEMORANDUM

COPY

DATE: February 18, 1994

FROM: Monsignor Dyer

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TO: Cardinal Mahony

RE: Pastorate Application of David Granadino

I would recommend at this time that Father Granadino's application for the pastorate of St. Alphonsus (see letter attached) be withheld from consideration by the Personnel Board, inasmuch as we are just about to begin an investigation of St. Gerard Majella parish.

Until that investigation is concluded, we will not know the status of REDACTED REDACTED It is conceivable the team will recommend his removal from the pastorate, which would make a change of Father Granadino disastrous for the pastoral care of the parish.

If you concur, I will call Father Granadino and explain the reasons for not considering him for St. Alphonsus.

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For Fr. David Granadino

- needs to develop the ability to see the parish as a whole, as well as his own ministries.
- should obtain training in problem resolution skills.
- should seek guidance in being more aware of the ramifications of his actions.
- should seek a parish assignment which will give him the opportunity to be in a mentoring relationship, in which an experienced pastor could help him develop his pastoring skills.

NOTES/T. RICHEY 1/20/95 (SAAB)

RE: RESPONSE OF SAAB TO A REVIEW OF FATHER DAVID GRANADINO

A. Summary of St. Luke Institute Evaluation

B. Behavior since: no report of inappropriate actions with minors, but one letter to classmates calls practical judgment into question.

C. Request to become a Pastor

A. After hearing the original reports of concern (which included accounts of the unusually great amount of time spent organizing altar boys, frequent "hello" and "good-bye" kisses and hugs, nuzzling the back of a boy's neck and face with his face, holding a seventh-grader in his lap when it was plain to others that the youngster was uncomfortable, and telling young boys (on several occasions one-on-one), "I love you, I need you", and your choosing not to resolve the question of sexual orientation toward youngsters by plethysmography as recommended by St. Luke's, SAAB says we are still uncertain about Father Granadino being as safe as we would like a priest to be. The Board was clearly against attempting to force a priest to undergo a test as invasive as a plethysmograph. Basic human rights are involved. However, the Board feels strongly that the newly-formed protocol for priests requiring ongoing therapy will go a long way in building a sense of safety the Church requires.

B. The letter of complaints sent to all Father Granadino's classmates (by him) elicited grave concern from the Board about Father Granadino's judgment. It bore out to a disturbing degree the observations made in the St. Luke assessment of compulsive, dependent, and histrionic traits.

C. The request to be named Pastor should be put on hold, according to the Board:

1. The "protocol" involves monitoring accomplished more easily with an Associate Pastor.

2. The issue involving pastoral judgment needs more attention before Father Granadino can take up the responsibilities of being a Pastor.

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NOTES/T. DYER 1/20/95 (SAAB)

RE: DAVID GRANADINO

History (case C-File) indicates he will have trouble with judgment.

If testing showed the unconscious inclination--he'd need to be well-supervised.

Question = one of assignment:

A. Grave concerns about assignment as Pastor
B. Second thoughts about case (Gabriel Gonzales)--
We now have a new protocol
C. This was St. Luke Institute's recommendation, and you have decided not to resolve...So, we will always wonder...and will need to observe. (Should he decide on his own, that's one thing. Even if he did it...it's not...

--responsibility to monitor
--there is presently a real question as to future assignment by Personnel Board, SAAB
--This protocol gives you the freedom to go on as as Associate Pastor in a parish...

--The letter written to classmates
--Review his present work, relations with minors
--Having said "I love you, I need you" (to the kid alone)

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MEMORANDUM

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February 5, 1995

TO: Cardinal Mahony

FROM: Father Timothy Dyer TD

RE: Fr. David Granadino

Recently, Fr. Granadino indicated an interest in becoming a pastor. At one point last year, Dr. REDACTED said he would write a letter indicating that there would be no significant risk in the Archdiocese' making such an appointment. Shortly thereafter, the difficulties with Dr. REDACTED caused me not to seek such a letter and the question was postponed. Fr. Granadino raised the issue again in the fall of 1994.

At its 1/20/95 meeting, the Sexual Abuse Advisory Board reviewed:

a) a summary of the St. Luke's Institute evaluation.
b) behavior since the SLI findings: no report of inappropriate actions with minors, but a letter to classmates which calls his practical judgment into question.
c) request to be a pastor

After hearing the original reports of concern (which included accounts of the unusually great amount of time organizing altar boys, frequent "hello" and "good-bye" kisses and hugs, nuzzling the back of a boy's neck and face with his face, holding a seventh-grader in his lap when it was plain to others that the youngster was uncomfortable and telling a young boy on at least two occasions, one-on-one, "I love you, I need you"), the Board reviewed the St. Luke's recommendations. REDACTED

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REDACTED They did, however, understand the dilemma and held that the uncertainty in this case leads to the conclusion that Fr. Granadino is not as safe as we would like a priest to be.

The Board strongly recommended that the newly formed protocol for priests in therapy, with a pastor working in cooperation with a therapist and spiritual director to hold the associate accountable, would go a long way in building the sense of safety the Church needs in this case.

I concur // They recommend that the question of his being named pastor be put on indefinite hold; that he be re-assigned to another pastor and begin our new protocol; that his therapist work on the issue of his "practical judgment" -- as his letter to classmates bore out to a disturbing degree the Axis II diagnosis by SLI: "compulsive, dependent and histrionic" traits. These would be at issue if he were ever to be considered for a pastorate.

Only way to proceed - I agree

REDACTED

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30 September 1996

Rev. Msgr. Richard Loomis
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
VICAR FOR CLERGY
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Dear Monsignor Loomis,

In October 1991, at Corpus Christi Church in Pacific Palisades, I was confronted by Monsignor Dyer with behaviors of mine which included excessive expressions of affection to children that were deemed inappropriate for ministry. At that time, I was placed in a protocol that had minimal limitations, and included a January 1992 psychiatric evaluation at Saint Luke's Center in Maryland. Returning from Saint Luke's Center, a theraputic relationship with Dr. REDACTED a psychiatrist with expertise in sexual conflicts and relapse prevention, began in April 1992. In July 1995, a new protocol was enacted for the entire Archdiocesan presbyterate and I became part of this new protocol, which still included the limitations from the 1991 protocol, the assignment of a spiritual director, REDACTED and the addition of evaluation reports from my pastor and therapist. These reports were given to my spiritual director, REDACTED under confidential seal as part of the expectations of this new protocol.

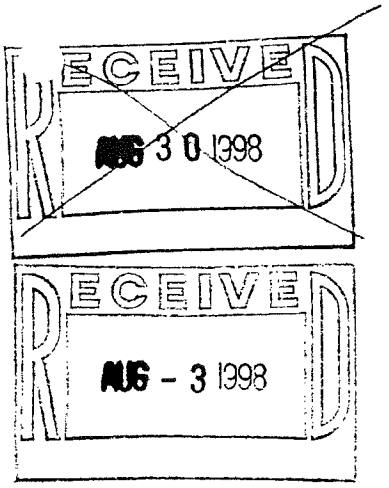
In the last report from Dr. REDACTED he recommend that our theraputic relationship end in November 1996. After 4 1/2 years of intense, regular (every two weeks) therapy sessions, it seems that the goals of the original protocol and even this present one have been fulfilled. So, I inform you that my theraputic relationship with Dr. REDACTED after 4 1/2 years, will end on November 5, 1996. This theraputic relationship with Dr. REDACTED was a growing experience that included much "growing pains" and "enlightenment" on many issues of my personal life. I consider Dr. REDACTED an excellent guide through the introspection that is demanded for self-knowledge. I am appreciative of his challenging style that was filled with understanding and compassion.

If there are any concerns you may have, or any questions, please do not hesitate to call me or write to me here at the parish of Our Lady of Peace. I presume that I will continue with the basic elements of the protocol and its ministerial limitations, unless otherwise informed by you. I would also like the opportunity to meet with you to discuss future directions concerning this protocol as I would seek closure to these past five years. I will continue, protocol or not, the regular meetings with REDACTED I thank you and REDACTED for your support and concern for my parochial ministry and for the people we serve in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

(Rev. Fr.) David F. Granadino
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(818) 894-1176 - church
REDACTED personal, unlisted number

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Su Eminencia Cardenal Roger Mahony:

No es fácil para mí hacer hoy estas lineas, pero me siento en la obligación moral y espiritual de hacer conocer una verdad dolorosa.- Mi esposo REDACTED tenemos sirviendo en nuestra parroquia Saint Frances of Rome catorce años continuamente, hemos conocido a Cristo y hemos madurado bastante en nuestra vida espiritual, sirviendo a Dios a través de su pueblo, nuestra comunidad.-

Siempre somos muy celosos de que nuestra comunidad no se dañe, pero hay veces que esto queda sólo en deseos, y es por eso que hoy me dirijo a Usted con la esperanza puesta en Cristo Jesús que esta carta no termine en algún cajón de su escritorio; pero es muy preocupante para mi familia el futuro de nuestra parroquia.-

Hace unos ocho o diez años pasó por nuestra Iglesia un sacerdote asociado joven de nombre David Granadino que el único fruto que dejó fué feligreses alejados de nuestra Iglesia Católica que no han vuelto a pisar ninguna Iglesia; entre estos parroquianos hay algunos jóvenes retirados completamente e inclusive hay quienes han cambiado de religión cuando eran sumamente activos en los ministerios de los jóvenes.-

Este sacerdote cuando estuvo por acá era muy amigo de llevar a jovencitos a su dormitorio,siempre con algún pretexto, o bien para mostrar su uniforme del Army, o para darles regalos de cumpleaños a los inocentes jóvenes; este fué el caso de nuestro hijo REDACTED (14 años) que por haber sido su cumpleaños fué invitado a buscar su regalo al cuarto del nombrado sacerdote.-

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Una vez REDACTED en el dormitorio iba a pasar alrededor de la cama hasta la mesa de noche para tomar su regalo cuando el sacerdote Granadino le dijo que NO, que lo hiciera a través de la cama, cosa que nuestro hijo hizo así, una vez tirado sobre la cama este sacerdote intentó tocarlo queriéndolo palmear en su trasero, instantaneamente REDACTED se levantó y lo amenazó que le iba a sacar los dientes por la nuca, sin aceptar ninguna clase de excusas REDACTED abandonó el dormitorio y la Iglesia, con la convicción de la deviación sexual de esta persona.-

Ahora nuestro hijo REDACTED es padre de familia y aunque ya no va a la Iglesia, (como otros jóvenes de aquella época que aún sus padres no se explican que pudo haber pasado con sus hijos y el padre David Granadino) se preocupa y esta dispuesto a todo con tal de que no le suceda a otros jóvenes lo mismo o peor que a él y también se callen por verguenza, y se siga lastimando a la sociedad con esta calidad de sacerdotes.- REDACTED y yo nos preguntamos que pasará en nuestra parroquia con un Párroco con esta desviación sexual y su debilidad por jóvenes varones de Saint Frances of Rome? Una persona con delirios de grandeza, que su complejo más grande era ser hijo de mejicanos,que en sus homilias de aquel entonces no se ha cansado de decir que El no es sacerdote por vocación que fué su mamá la que lo ofreció a la virgen de Guadalupe en una emergencia en el mar; y que El no entendía a los matrimonios como podían durar tanto tiempo y (perdone usted mis palabras, pero eran las textuales de este sacerdote) oliéndose los pedos uno al otro.-

Sabemos que nadie es perfecto, pero una persona como lo es un sacerdote, con el estudio y educación que se supone debe tener además del respeto por una comunidad que espera lo mejor de cada uno de sus servidores, o es qué por ser latinos no nos merecemos algo mejor?.-

Son muchas nuestras preocupaciones Cardenal, y nuestra pregunta es que habrá pasado con los jóvenes de las otras comunidades por donde pasó este sacerdote?, y qué va a pasar con nuestra comunidad y nuestros jovencitos?

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Tal vez hasta mi esposo y yo tengamos que dejar de servir, pero si esto es necesario para salvar a nuestros hermanos en Cristo lo haremos sin dudarlo y luchando hasta el final, porque sabemos que la verdad debe prevalecer siempre como nos lo enseña el Evangelio.-

Como madre me pregunto cuántas familias o madres dejarán servir a sus hijos en nuestra parroquia al enterarse de esto? Por eso Señor Cardenal Mahony, Usted que siempre ha demostrado su interés por la comunidad latina hoy le ruego por esta nuestra comunidad latina de Saint Frances of Rome de Azusa.-

Quedamos a la espera de una solución a la brevedad, le doy las gracias por su atención a ésta y pido a Dios Nuestro Señor lo bendiga, lo ilumine, le de el discernimiento y la guía para el bien del futuro de nuestro pueblo de Azusa.

Sinceramente:
REDACTED

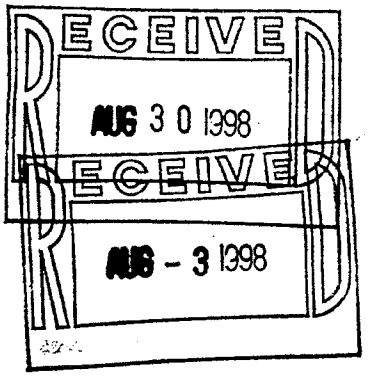
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REFERRAL MEMORANDUM from CARDINAL ROGER MAHONY

TO: Msgr. Loomis DATE: 8-3-98



() Please **REVIEW**, then **SEE ME**
() Please **REVIEW**, then **RETURN** to me
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(X) Please **HANDLE** this matter **ENTIRELY**
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() For your **INFORMATION**
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Original to: () file () back to me ()

REMARKS: We need to double-check this + make sure 000352
Dan knows of these cases + concerns — thanks!

Monday, August 10, 1998
Update on Father David Granadino - Msgr. Loomis

In response to the REDACTED letter, REDACTEDREDACTED called the REDACTED family in the evening on Friday, August 7th, to let them know that the Cardinal had referred their letter to us and to see if we could arrange an appointment with their son, REDACTED He reported to me that the conversation was a pleasant one and that REDACTEREDACTED thought her son would be willing to speak with us. She would be asking her son to call the Vicar's office on Monday to arrange an appointment.

REDACTED called on Monday, August 10th, at approximately 3:15 PM. He arranged an appointment for Tuesday evening, August 11th, at 7:00 PM, at Holy Family, South Pasadena. He seemed friendly and open during our phone conversation

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REDACTED

Notes on the meeting of Msgr.'s [redacted] & Loomis with REDACTED
at Holy Family Rectory, South Pasadena - August 11, 1998 @ 7:00 PM
concerning Father David Granadino

This is a summary. It is not a chronological account of what was said. Unless quotations surround a statement, it is not an exact quote even if it is couched in the first person.

REDACTED

Unsolicited, without introduction:
I blocked this whole thing out, pushing it further and further down. I only remembered it when my parents said that he was coming back to be pastor. There are other young men my age - maybe 6 or 7 more - all Hispanic. They were all very active in the parish but left totally without explanation just like I did. We're trying to get hold of them. Why only Hispanic? There were all kinds of kids. I was scared. I looked up to this man. I felt he betrayed me.

After explaining our process:
I was about 13½ and involved in Teen Spirit (a church group for high school and junior hi kids). When Father David came, he took it over. He brought excitement and the group grew. People liked him. He collected 1984 Olympic pins. He'd show them off, even putting them up in his window sometimes so people could see them. He showed off his uniform, too - "dress greens" I think it was. Understand: I was very involved - in Teen Spirit, in Mass, in the charismatic movement. I'd already been to healing Masses to "lay on hands" with my parents.

It was my 14th birthday (I'm not sure if it was the exact day). He said that he had a present for me and that I should come to his room with him. We went to his room. He said the present was on the other side of the bed. I tried to walk around but he blocked the way with his knee. He said I should lean over the bed and get it. As I did, I glanced back and he was getting ready to spank my butt (for my birthday?). I stood up and said, "Not me. I'm not like that. Touch me and I'll smash your teeth down your throat (or words to that effect)." Right there, I left everything - the present, his room, the church, everything - and I never went back. I'd already had sex with a woman. That kind of thing was not for me --- and I haven't been back to church. I believe in God and all that - but not in any church. I'm married (divorced) with REDACTED daughters. That kind of thing was not for me.

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I'd hate to see something happen to other kids with him coming back. I talked to some police officers and I know it could have been worse. They said he was probably just setting things up - seeing how far I'd let him go. You see, there was a rumor among us boys that he was gay - his gestures and voice were that way.

Msgr. Loomis commented that it was very troubling that an incident which might have been no more than inappropriate and immature conduct on Father's part could have had such drastic effects. Why did you feel this had sexual overtones? What led you to look back? You are sure he did not touch you?
No, he did not touch me. He never had the chance. It was just a bad feeling. Why would he want to get a 14 year old in his room alone so he could spank him? A bad setting. Who'd believe me? So I just pushed it down until I didn't remember. Why have a 14 year old in your room? Why get him in a position like that? I wasn't 9. You don't give a "birthday spanking" to a 14 year old. He always talked about going bicycling with this kid or that kid and then how they'd go back to his room for something to eat. He'd take kids to his room to see his uniform or pins, etc. I can't be the only one. Why always boys? Maybe he was trying to avoid any talk about him with girls? But church leaders go with groups. They include everyone. They don't take kids off alone. I just had a very bad feeling.

What do I want? I don't know ... an explanation? an apology? I don't know. I do know I never want to see or talk to him again. I know that whenever I talk about it, I have nightmares for 3 or 4 nights ... violent, revengeful nightmares. I have violent thoughts against this man. I don't know what I'd do if I ever saw him.

[redacted] *affirmed* REDACTED *sense of betrayal and we offered therapy if he should ever want it.*
Yes, I would like that. I have to work through this anger and these violent feelings.

We said we would be back in touch with him as soon as we had referrals for him to choose from. We invited him to refer any other people who felt victimized to us. Msgr. Loomis explained the process: we would present this to Father and then tell him what action we would take based on Father's response. The appointment ended at 7:55 PM.

My opinion is that REDACTED is very credible. He was straight-forward and exhibited a lot of energy over his recounting of the event. I have no reason to believe he is inventing this incident.

TOPIC: DAVID GRANADINO

DATE: 8/11/98

FILE UNDER: REDACTED

PAGE: 7:00 PM

REDACTED

8/13 - Installation

BLOCK - ONLY REM'D, HE'S BACK!
- THERE ARE OTHER 4M MY AGE, 6-7 OR MORE
- ALL VERY ACTIVE + THEN, DROP.
Teen Spirit, Charismatic movement - very active
SCARED, LOOKING UP TO!

We'd w/ kid(s) cycling alone. Odd, why not the whole group?

TN. SPIR. - 13½ 4/0 (HS/JTH.)
FR. DAVID TOOK OVER - BROUGHT EXCITEMENT GRP GREW - PEOPLE LIKED HIM.
COLLECTED 1984 OLYMPIC PINS
SHOWED THEM OFF + HIS UNIFORM

The experience made me stop going to Church + stop all involvement.

MY B'DAY -
I HAVE A GIFT FOR YOU - COME W/ ME
WENT TO ROOM
OTHER SIDE OF BED
BLOCKED WAY AROUND BED
"I CAN OVER-GET IT"
LOOK'D BACK + HE WAS TRYING TO SPANK FOR B'DAY - "NOT ME"
"FORGET ALL." + LEFT
(I'D HAD SEX W/ WOMAN ALREADY; NOT FOR ME.)

Nightmares - revengeful awful violent thoughts.

WHY SPANK 13 4/0 IN HIS BEDROOM.
WHO'D BELIEVE ME.

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Give me an explanation? Apology?

I'D HATE TO SEE SOMETHING HAPPEN.
TALKED TO POLICE - "COULD HAVE BEEN WORSE."
"I CAN'T BE THE ONLY ONE."
THERE WAS A RUMOR HE WAS GAY {VOICE/GESTURES}

REDACTED

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August 12, 1998

Reverend David Granadino
Saint Frances of Rome Church
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Azusa, CA 91702

Dear Dave,

When you return from vacation, I would appreciate it if you would call for an appointment to see me.

Something has come up concerning your parish and I must discuss it with you as soon as possible.

Thanks!

PAX!

Dick

Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis
Vicar for Clergy

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MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE VICAR FOR CLERGY

TO: Father David Granadino's File

FROM: Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis
Secretariat Director/Vicar for Clergy

RE: Mr REDACTED

DATE: August 19, 1998

On Wednesday, August 19, 1998, Monsignor Loomis talked on the phone with Mr. REDACTED

Monsignor Loomis referred him to Dr. REDACTED or REDACTED . Mr. REDACTED will let Monsignor know which one he wants to go to for therapy.

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CLERGY DATABASE

Last:Granadino Title:Rev. First: David Middle:F.

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11/04/91 REDACTED (7th grade teacher) reported inappropriate behavior with altar servers at Corpus Christi Parish. The teacher made the phone report on 11/06/91. The report was made to Child Protective Services. They said they would not handle it since not a situation within the home. They would transfer it to the police. 01/11/92 Fr. went to SLI for an evaluation. 12/06/93 He sent a letter to all his classmates complaining about his assignments, especially his present one. 02/18/94 He applied for the pastorate at St. Alphonsus. Excerpts from Msgr. Dyer's memo to the Cardinal: that his application be withheld from consideration from the Personnel Board, inasmuch as they are just about to begin an investigation of St. Gerald Majella, his present assignment as a result of his letter to his classmates. Until the investigation is concluded, we will not know the status of Fr. REDACTED It is conceivable that the team will recommend his removal from the pastorate, which would make a change of Fr. Granadino disastrous for the pastoral care of the parish. 01/20/95 Response of SAAB to a review of Father: SAAB is still uncertain about him being safe. They were clearly against attempting to force a priest to undergo a test as invasive as a plethysmograph. Basic human rights are involved. However, the Board feels strongly that the new protocol for priests requiring ongoing therapy will go a long way. His letter elicited grave concern from the Board about his judgement. It boure out to a disturbing degree the observations made in the SLI assessment of compulsive, dependent, and histrionic traits. According to the Board, his request to be named pastor should be put on hold as he will have trouble with judgment. 07/01/95 He was appointed Assoc. Pastor at O. L. of Peace. 07/31/98 REDACTED wrote to Card. Mahony to inform him that Father touch their son, REDACTED on the buttocks when he was 14 yrs. old. The boy was invited to Father's room with the excuse that Father had a birthday present for him. They are parishioners from St. Frances of Rome, and they are outraged that Father was appointed Pastor there on July 1. According to the REDACTED people have left the parish and the Church because of the harm that he did at the parish. He liked to take young boys to his bedroom. 08/10/98 Msgr. Loomis' update: In response to the REDACTED letter, Father REDACTED called the REDACTED family on 08/07 to let them know that the Card. had referred their letter to us and to see if we could arrange an appt. with their son, REDACTED REDACTED. He reported to REDACTED that the conversation was a pleasant one and that Mrs. REDACTED thought her son would be willing to speak with us. 08/11/98 Msgrs. [redacted] and Loomis met with REDACTED at Holy Family Rectory, S. Pasadena. He was very involved in Teen Spirit. Father brought excitement and the group grew. He recounted the experience he had in Father's room. Father did not touch him. When Father told him that the present was on the other side of the bed, REDACTED tried to walk around, but Father blocked the way with his knee. He said I he should lean over the bed and get it. As he did, he glanced back, and he was getting ready to spank his butt. He stood up and said: "Not me." He has violent thoughts against him. They offered him therapy if he should ever want it. They invited him to refer any other people who felt victimized to us. Msgr. Loomis' opinion is that Mr. REDACTED is very credible. He has no reason to believe that he is inventing this incident. 08/31/98 Msgr. Loomis met with Father. He emphatically denies that the incident regarding REDACTED ever happened. He denies ever having minors in his room at St. Frances of Rome. He understands the difficulty caused for us by his earlier problems and treatment, as well as the questions of credibility brought on by this allegation. He was authentically distressed and pained by the allegation. Msgr. Loomis found hm very credible. Father is going to speak to his therapist, his spiritual director, and REDACTED and decide if for the good of the parish should lead him to resign.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Cardinal Roger Mahony

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

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Date: Tuesday, September 01, 1998

Re: Father David Granadino

I followed up on the letter you received from Mr. and Mrs. REDACTED which included a vague allegation of wrongdoing against Father Granadino. Monsignor [redacted] and I met with their son, REDACTED He recounted an incident from 11 years ago in which Father Granadino allegedly enticed him to his room in the rectory with the promise of a birthday present. Father Granadino told him to lean across the bed to get it from the other side. REDACTED glanced back as he did so and saw Father about to spank him (a birthday spanking?) and jumped up. He told Father words to the effect of "No way! I'm not that way. Touch me and I'll bash your teeth down your throat." After which he left the room, the rectory and the Church, repressing the memory until his parents shared with him that Father Granadino was returning as pastor. He was very specific that there had been no contact between them. Monsignor [redacted] and I found REDACTED credible but also thought that his response to a minimal incident was exaggerated. We offered therapy but, as of yet, he has not approached either of the psychologists we recommended. The matter is complicated by the fact that the REDACTED now run all the Hispanic liturgical ministries in the parish and are key people in the parish.

I spoke with Father Granadino yesterday afternoon. He emphatically denies that the incident ever happened. He denies ever having minors in his room at Saint Frances of Rome. He knows who REDACTED is, but says that he had little contact with him or his family. Father Granadino understands the difficulty caused for us by his earlier problems and treatment, as well as the questions of credibility brought on by this allegation. He was authentically distressed and pained by the allegation, breaking into tears more than once as we spoke. I have to say that I also found him very credible.

Father Granadino is going to speak with his therapist, his spiritual director and REDACTED REDACTED and decide if for the good of the parish should lead him to resign.

Sad all the way around – keep me informed –

+ RML

9-2-98

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REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles

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September 10, 1998

REDACTED

Dear REDACTED

I am writing to you because I have not heard from you since our telephone conversation. Nor have I heard from either of the counselors whose names I gave you that you have contacted them concerning therapy.

As I said in our meeting, we are indeed willing to offer to assist you in obtaining therapy as a pastoral outreach to help you work through the anger and hurt you expressed. In case you have mislaid the names and numbers of the therapists, here they are again:

Dr. REDACTED
Dr.REDACTED

They both work from the same office. That is why there is only one telephone number.

Once you have made a choice, please let me know so that we can arrange billing and provide them with the necessary arrangements.

Also, if it is all right with you, I would like to speak briefly with the therapist you choose. I would only want to provide them with my impressions our conversation during our original appointment.

I want to thank you again for the courage you showed and your willingness to speak with us. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me. I will do my best to answer you.

Please know you are in my prayers!

PAX!

Richard A. Loomis

Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis
Vicar for Clergy

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FROM : St Frances of Rome Church FAX NO. : REDACTED Mar. 2 2002 05:01PM P1

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Send to: Monsignor Craig Cox	**From: Father David F. Granadino**
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Comments:

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TO: Detective REDACTED

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TO: File

FROM: Monsignor Craig A. Cox

RE: Reverend David Granadino

DATE: 25 March 2002

Today, I received a phone call from Detective REDACTED He had just finished speaking with Doctor REDACTED

Detective [redacted] phone is (REDACTED His fax is REDACTED

He asked me to fax the roster of servers at St. Frances of Rome Parish to him. I promised to do so immediately, and that has been done.

He asked how we handled the report on the hot line. I indicated that we followed our policy, informed the priest, got his response, and arranged for him to absent himself from the ministry while the investigation is underway. I explained to the Detective could reach Fr. Granadino beginning this afternoon at REDACTED I gave him the phone number there. Later, I phoned back and left the REDACTED s private line as the REDACTED requested.

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FROM : St Frances of Rome Church F[redacted] Mar. 7[redacted] 2002 02:55PM P1



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CONFIDENTIAL FAX TO:

Monsignor Craig Cox
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES

From:

Father David F. Granadino
SAINT FRANCES OF ROME CHURCH

Dear Monsignor:

Here are four pages of the mailing address sheet for all servers.

Thank you,

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FAX TRANSMISSION COVER

PRIVILEGED ATTORNEY – CLIENT AND JOINT DEFENSE COMMUNICATION

TO: Detective Sergeant Craig Boyett

Receiver FAX #: REDACTREDACTED

FROM: Monsignor Craig A. Cox
Vicar for Clergy, Archdiocese of Los Angeles

Sender FAX #: REDACREDACTED

DATE: 25 March 2002

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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MINISTRY OF SERVING AT THE ALTAR
The Phone List (93 active servers)
As of: 18 March 2002

PASTOR (1)

Father David F. Granadino M.
REDACTED

REDACTED

Saint Frances of Rome Altar Server Phone List

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LIEUTENANT VICE-MASTER OF CEREMONIES AND LIEUTENANT TO THE SENIOR ACOLYTE RANK LEADER

REDACTED

THE ACOLYTE FIRST CLASS RANK LEADER

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Saint Frances of Rome Altar Server Phone List

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ALTAR SERVER RANKS: 93 Active Servers as of March 18, 2002

Saint Frances of Rome Altar Server Phone List

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Rev. Fr. David F. Granadino M.

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REDACTED

24 March 2002

Rev. Msgr. Craig Cox
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
Los Angeles, California

Dear Monsignor Cox,

Please find the requested address list for all servers in our parish as requested.

I will be exonerated. I am upset that this has to happen. Such calls have no validity. I pray that God will protect all of us from these evil times.

Sincerely,

Father David F. Granadino M.

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REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles

3424 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles California 90010-2241

Holy Thursday
March 28, 2002

Dear Parents,

In the past few weeks we are sure that you have read about the many trials that the Church has been going through across the nation. It is sad that this has now come to the parish community of Saint Frances of Rome.

As you know, in accord with our policy, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is cooperating with an investigation initiated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. In accord with the explicit instructions of the Sheriff, we were not free to provide any advance notice of their investigation. We realize that this has created some consternation in the community of Saint Frances of Rome.

To assist any parishioner who may have been confused or hurt because of the appearance of the Sheriff's investigators, the Archdiocese is making available a number of counselors for consultation on **Tuesday, April 2, at 7:30 p.m.** in the parish center. If any member of your family would benefit from such a consultation, we encourage you to come that evening. The counselors will be there to assist you in this time of need. Please understand, however, that they will have no information about the investigation.

The Archdiocese will have no information about this investigation until the Sheriff's Department has completed its work and reported to us. As soon as we are legally able, we will provide additional information to you and all the parish community.

In these sacred days of Holy Week and Easter, we pray that Jesus Crucified and Risen will fill your hearts with grace and peace.

Yours in Christ,

REDACTED

Monsignor Craig A. Cox
Vicar for Clergy

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MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF THE VICAR FOR CLERGY

TO: REDACTED

FROM:

RE: ***Letter to Parents***

DATE: March 28, 2002

Please give a copy of the enclosed letter to every fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grade child and have the Principal check the altar server list versus her school list and compile a list of altar servers who are not enrolled in the elementary school.

Then please send to the parents of these children via mail a copy of the letter.

If you have any questions, please call me at REDACTED

Thank you.

Enclosure

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** JOB STATUS REPORT ** AS OF MAR 28 2002 09:[illegible] PAGE. 01

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Enclosure

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Cox, Msgr. Craig A.

From: REDACTED
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2002 4:15 PM
To: REDACTED
Cc:
Subject: St. Frances of Rome

A portion of an e-mail from REDACTED describing what is going on there. He evidently knows people in the parish. The counselors may well have their hands full. Parents evidently had to fight to be present when their kids were questioned.

The word I hear out of St. Frances of Rome is awful. The sheriffs were there en mass yesterday, speaking to the priests of the parish, the parish staff, people at the school and anyone else they could find. In addition, the media were there also. Thank heaven the staff gave the same response to any media person, if they wish information they are to contact the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Every altar server has been interrogated. Only if the parents of a server insist are the parents present while the children are questioned.

I hear a letter is to be read from the archdiocese this Sunday and counselors are to be there Tuesday evening. Was it because there was something specific in the call to the sheriff's or is it due to the high profile of this type of case at the present time or because he is a sheriff's chaplain that the county sheriffs are using tactics more commonly associated with the Gestapo? When this investigation is completed, I don't see any way that David will be able to return to Azusa.

3/29/2002

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Cox, Msgr. Craig A.

From: REDACTED
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2002 12:01 AM
To: REDACTED
Subject: Statement and homily form Holy Thursday

Craig,

I just wanted to send you want I said at the mass. I just read the letter that you sent us from your office. I also added that nothing has come from the alledged allegations that were proven true. I said we needed to pray during this mass for the Church and the parish. I **did not** mention David's name. Channel thirteen was here maybe some others and they stayed outside. They were non-intrusive and did not push the issues with me but ask some parishioners after mass their thoughts. It seemed low-key.

I attached my homily. Thanks for being there. I appreciate what you and your office are doing during this time of difficulty.
God bless,
REDACTED

REDACTED

Memo to File
April 10, 2002

REDACTED, Detective REDACTED from the LASD, REDACTED REDACTED REDACTED and REDACTED from St. Frances of Rome and I met on Tuesday, April 9, 2002 at the San Gabriel Pastoral Region Office to be updated on the status of the investigation of allegations at St. Frances of Rome.

Sergeant REDACTED told us that the LASD had completed approximately 91 of the interviews out of about 94. They hoped to complete the rest this week. Additionally, that the Sheriff's Department hoped to have the investigation report would be completed by mid-week next week, with their report being forwarded to the LA County District Attorney for action by that office.

He also said that there were several things that they were following up on, for confirmation only. A concern was voiced by Sergeant REDACTED regarding an inquiry from a "police" officer outside of the Sheriff's office regarding the investigation. This "officer" was told by both REDACTED and REDACTED that the investigation was on going and that could not discuss the investigation. Sergeant REDACTED was adamant that there has not been any "leaking" of information regarding the investigation by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department. Also, that this "officer" was way out of line by even making the inquiry.

I was asked if Father Granadino had moved and I told them that to the best of my knowledge he was still at Valyermo.

I told Sergeant REDACTED that due to the on-going investigation regarding the theft of ACC documents, the Archdiocese E-mail system had been shut down until early this week. I said that you were going to respond to his request for Father Granadino's previous assignments.

I was questioned about the assignment and reassignment of priests. I explained that Associates Pastors were generally moved every 3, 4 or 5 years. That Pastors' terms were 6 years, generally renewable for an additional 6 year term. (Editorial - I think he was searching for "were the priest moved for <u>other</u> reasons?")

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Again the subject of how should the results of the investigation be reported came up. I strongly suggested that the results be presented by the Sheriff's office at a parish community gathering. Representatives of the parish and the Archdiocese would be present, but in a support position only.

Sergeant REDACTED said that he would let me know when they were going to turn the report over to the District Attorney. We did not schedule another meeting but I plan to call him Monday April 15, 2002 for a follow up.

E-mail to REDACTED Msgr. Craig Cox, REDACTED

Filipino Ministry of St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church

REDACTED

April 16, 2002

Rev. Fr. David F. Granadino
Pastor
St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church
501 E. Foothill Boulevard
Azusa, CA 91702

Dear Father David:

May God's grace and peace be with you!

The past few weeks have been very difficult for all of us, and more so with you, Father. Our faith has been challenged, but **never defeated**. The reason being that we see the parallelism between Jesus Christ's passion and your own suffering. We have witnessed betrayal within our community and to think that it happened during this past Lenten season. Coincidence? We think not! Here's why.

The evil one tried to destroy the Catholic Church and our beloved St. Frances of Rome Church, as we have grown spiritually under your pastoral direction. Being the Pastor, you have been used and gravely damaged by such unfounded allegations, and for that, Fr. David, we are ***very, very sorry***. It seems that we cannot do anything but to pray earnestly for you, and pray for our community. Please be assured that in our steadfast hearts and minds, we have never doubted your personal integrity, and most especially as God's anointed priest, our spiritual director.

We hope that with this simple message, we are able to give you some comfort, as we, the Filipino Parishioners, pass on our love and continued support for you as our Pastor. Your personal persecution in the hands of a few has humbled us tremendously. We pray that you will not be discouraged, and that the Lord will grant you peace and hope. Praise God for His greatness...for He made sure that the good will prevail!

Yours in Christ,

REDACTED

St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church

REDACTED

Cc: Cardinal Roger M. Mahoney -
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
REDACTED

"Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you."
Matthew 5:11-12

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Cox, Msgr. Craig A.

From: REDACTED
Sent: Monday, May 13, 2002 8:57 AM
To: REDACTED Loomis, Msgr. Richard A.; Cox, Msgr. Craig A.
Subject: FW: Mr.REDACTED

I am forwarding this message to REDACTED and as an F.Y.I. for Monsignors Cox and Loomis.

REDACTED

-----Original Message-----
From: REDACTED
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2002 4:02 PM
To: REDACTED
Subject:

Called for Msgr. Cox; a victim of Fr. Granadino; wants to verify how Msgr. Cox is implementing Ryan's Law....He will probably be calling our office often...

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FILE COPY

Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Office of the Archbishop
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles California 90010-2202

November 28, 2007

Reverend David F. Granadino
2214 Wilma Avenue
Commerce, CA 90040

Dear David,

I write in reply to your letter of November 16, and although I understand your sadness at being replaced as Pastor of St. Frances of Rome in Azusa, I know you also understand the need of the parish to have the active leadership of a full-time Pastor.

As I explained in our meeting together on the 16th, and also in my follow-up letter to you on that same date, you have not been removed as Pastor nor have you resigned your pastorate. Quite simply, your term has expired and the time has now come to declare the parish vacant canonically so that the office of Pastor can be filled by a suitable candidate according to the norms of law.

I also assure you, as my Vicar for Clergy explained during our meeting together, that the parish community will be informed that you have not resigned nor been removed as Pastor, but that your term had expired and in accordance with diocesan policy and the norms of ecclesiastical law a new Pastor is being named. It will also be explained to the people that the naming of a new Pastor should in no way be interpreted as an indication of any guilt on your part regarding the allegations brought against you.

Assuring you once more of my prayers at this difficult time, and wishing you God's blessings of grace and strength, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Roger Card. Mahony

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

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REDACTED

Here is the letter to Fr. Granadino that the Cardinal requested.

I imagine that this material, including a copy of the Card.'s response, will go to the Vicar for Clergy's office, but I do want to make sure that you, Msgr. Gonzales does receive a copy of the Card.'s response, as it will be important for Msgr. Gonzales to be aware of what it says.

Thanks!

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REDACTED

REFERRAL MEMORANDUM from CARDINAL ROGER MAHONY

TO: REDACTED _____ DATE: 11-21-07

() Please **REVIEW**, then **SEE ME**
() Please **REVIEW**, then **RETURN** to me
() Please **REVIEW**, then **SEND** me your **COMMENTS**
() Please **REVIEW**, then **FILE**

() Please **HANDLE** this matter **ENTIRELY**
() Please **ANSWER**; send copy of letter to me
(X) Please **WRITE A REPLY** for my signature
() For your **INFORMATION**
() Please **XEROX - FAX** and send copy/copies to:

Original to: () file () back to me () _____

REMARKS: letter to Paul - not to REDACTED _____ - we need to explain that the priest has been deemed vacant canonically. No reception, etc. Thanks!

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REDACTED

November 17, 2007

His Eminence Roger Cardinal Mmahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90010

Re: Reverend David Granadino

Dear Cardinal Mahony:

I was happy to have had the opportunity to meet you yesterday and I thank you for having met with Father Granadino and me to personally inform him of your decision to declare St. Frances of Rome a vacant parish for which other priests may apply to become its pastor.

Because the people of St. Frances hold Father Granadino in high esteem and have expressed their continuing desire over the past five years that he return to them soon, Father Granadino expressed his wish that the parishioners be told that he did not voluntarily relinquish his position as pastor and had hoped to return to St. Frances. Your pastoral decision, as you kindly explained it, is based on the facts that Father Granadino's canonical process has gone on longer than anticipated and that you feel it is detrimental to the good of the parish to be without a pastor for so long a period. Monsignor Gonzales added that the parishioners would be told that your decision is not a judgment of guilt in his case or a penalty imposed on Father Granadino.

Thank you once again for your personal attention to this matter. A happy Thanksgivng to you.

REDACTED

Procurator/Advocate for Father David Granadino

cc: Reverend Monsignor Gabriel Gonzales
Vicar of Clergy
Reverend David Granadino

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Rev. David F. Granadino REDACTED

16 November 2007

His Eminence, Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
ARCHBISHOP OF LOS ANGELES
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90010-2202

Your Eminence:

Thank you so much for your meeting with REDACTED and I today at 1:45 PM. I am saddened by your decision to replace me as pastor of Saint Frances of Rome Church in Azusa, California. I thank you for your time to explain your reasons for this decision to me in person. It was good to see you after five years.

Once again, I want to make sure that as the Vicar for Clergy proceed with finding a new pastor for Saint Frances of Rome that the people of Azusa know that I did not resign my position as pastor nor should the procedure for assigning a new pastor be seen as a sign that I am guilty of anything that would remove me as pastor.

You are always in my prayers and may the Lord continue to bless you in your role as spiritual father of the Church of Los Angeles.

Sincerely yours, REDACTED

(Rev.) David F. Granadino

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Announcement for Saint Frances of Rome Parish, Azusa

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles has announced that Cardinal Mahony met with and officially informed Father David Granadino that his term as Pastor of Saint Frances of Rome Church has been concluded. It has been over five years since Father Granadino began his administrative leave. Father Granadino did wish the parishioners to know that he did not voluntarily relinquish his position as Pastor and had hoped to return to Saint Frances of Rome. However, as the years have passed, the Priest Personnel Board has been very concerned since it is most unusual for a parish to be without the active leadership of a Pastor for such a long time. Therefore, the Board recommended that this step be taken, a step necessary to enable another priest to be appointed as Pastor and assume responsibility for the pastoral leadership of Saint Frances of Rome Parish. Father Granadino continues on his administrative leave. In no way, however, should this be construed as a decision concerning the allegations that have been raised against Father Granadino.

REDACTED REDACTED will continue as the Administrator of Saint Frances of Rome Parish until July 1, 2008 when the new Pastor's term begins. The Priest Personnel Board will follow the Archdiocesan policy of the selection of a new Pastor. We ask all parishioners to earnestly pray for the wisdom of the Holy Spirit on all our priests and, in particular, for the members of the Priest Personnel Board as they discern who will be sent as the shepherd of Saint Frances of Rome Parish.

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Record of Investigation/Interview

REDACTED was interviewed by Canonical Auditor REDACTED at St. Anne's Parish, 2011 Colorado Avenue, Santa Monica, California. REDACTED REDACTED REDACTED, were present during the interview. Mrs. REDACTED began by introducing herself to Mr. REDACTED and explaining her role in providing assistance to victims of abuse. The auditor then introduced himself to Mr. REDACTED and explained that it was the auditor's responsibility to interview him and obtain specifics regarding what he had experienced with Father David Granadino.

Prior to providing a statement, Mr. REDACTED advised that he was amenable to being interviewed in the future, if it was found to be necessary, by other representatives of the Archdiocese. He also advised that he was willing to provide a statement under oath. Father REDACTED placed Mr. REDACTED under oath to tell the truth in this matter after which Mr. REDACTED provided the following information:

He attended St. John of God School in Norwalk, California from the 1st grade through graduation in the 8th grade. He explained that he was an altar boy during 7th and 8th grade and recalled that when he first met Father Granadino, he was already an altar boy. Father Granadino, through his association with his mother and father, started coming to the family residence and his mother welcomed the presence of Father Granadino. He described Father Granadino as being very aggressive in the way he hugged and wrestled with him. He said Father Granadino was much bigger and stronger than he and could easily control him.

Mr. REDACTED continued that on his birthday, when he was about thirteen or fourteen, Father Granadino came to visit and when his mother was not present, got him in a "bear hug", took him into a bedroom, pulled his pants down and gave him a spanking for his birthday. He did not like what Father Granadino had done, but at the same time thought it was not out of the norm because it was his birthday. Thereafter, each year until he was seventeen years old Father Granadino would come by on his birthday and he would experience the same thing of Father Granadino hugging him, pulling his pants down and spanking him. He said that he would be standing while Father Granadino spanked him. He noted that Father Granadino would count each spank in a delayed manner with a pause in between. He added that while ~~spanking him or afterwards~~ hugging or "out of the blue" Father Granadino would say, "I love you."

REDACTED

Record of Interview with REDACTED
Interview on: August 13, 2008 at REDACTED
By: Canonical Auditor REDACTED

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Mr. REDACTED reiterated that the spanking incidents occurred out of the presence of his mother. He added that his father was an alcoholic and sick with diabetes so he was unaware of what was happening.

He explained that as he got older he became more uncomfortable with the spankings, but embarrassed to tell anyone and fearful of getting yelled at by his parents.

Mr. REDACTED also noted that after he graduated from 8th grade, Father Granadino would "stop by out of the blue" to visit. He added that Father Granadino gave him a set of 1984 Olympic pins and two sets of gold Olympic coins from 1980 and 1984.

REDACTED

I, read this document consisting of two pages and it accurately reflects the information I provided on 8/13/08, except as noted and corrected on page one. I also want to add that Father Granadino would introduce me to others as his cousin.

REDACTED

8-21-08

REDACTED

I, Father , was present for the interview and was a witness to the statement provided by REDACTED

REDACTED

Record of Interview with REDACTED
Interview on: August 13, 2008 at REDACTED
By: Canonical Auditor REDACTED

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OFFICE OF VICAR FOR CLERGY
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July 31, 1989

Dear Father:

Although some of the policies in the enclosed book are new, the collection for the most part gathers together existing ones. The book begins with a revised version of the Archdiocesan faculties, which will be issued to each priest at a later time. Some topics on rectory living and parish ministry are items that probably need to be addressed in the future. Thus the collection is by no means complete, and no doubt you can think of matters that need to be added.

The existence of policies will not in itself always make decisions easier, and, in developing them, I see the need to maintain a tension: to provide clear and direct guidelines for discussion and action and to avoid overwhelming ourselves with rules and regulations.

I am most conscious of the danger of trying to settle particular conflicts strictly on the basis of policy. With this in mind, the policies set forth in the enclosed book are intended to serve as boundaries for discussion and pointers to action, and in no way to substitute for conversation and discussion between priests, especially priests living in the same rectory.

I do hope they will be of assistance to you in your ministry.

Sincerely yours ~~in~~ Christ,

Thomas J. Curry

(Rev. Msgr.) Thomas J. Curry
Vicar for Clergy

B. Should it be necessary for the priest to be placed officially on "sick leave," his expenses and personal needs will be taken care of by the Archdiocese, as has been the custom.

VI. ASSIGNMENT

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B. When, in the judgment of the Advisory Panel, a priest on sick leave has satisfactorily completed treatment, he should ordinarily return to his latest assignment. However, when appropriate, the priest may also ask for or be requested by the Archbishop to accept an alternative assignment of equal stature, e.g., pastor transferred to another pastorate, etc.

C. When, in the judgment of the Advisory Panel, a priest has satisfactorily completed treatment, he will be given the same consideration as any other priest of the Archdiocese in the matter of placement, further studies, and the choice of apostolates in the future.

VII. MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY PANEL

REDACTED

REDACTED

POLICY ON MISCONDUCT INVOLVING A PRIEST

Child Abuse

Over the past several years, the issue of child abuse has received a good deal of publicity in our society, and some of these cases have involved priests. Because California law mandates that certain persons report incidents of child abuse to the authorities, we need to be aware of the law in this regard.

The Law

For purposes of the law, "child" means a person under eighteen years of age. The law requires that a "child care custodian" or "health practitioner" who

has a reasonable suspicion that a child has been physically or sexually abused report the matter to the police or to a child protective agency. Normally priests do not come within the scope of either of these categories. However, a Pastor in his role as ex officio administrative officer of the parish school is required to report incidents of child abuse that come to his attention, unless the incident has already been reported by a teacher or the school principal. If he does not make the report himself, the Pastor should make certain that the report is made.

If the report concerns a lay person, the Pastor should notify the Archdiocesan Superintendent of Schools. If a priest is involved, he should notify the Vicar for Clergy.

In cases of doubt, a priest should contact the Vicar for Clergy.

Precautions Priests Need To Take:

Priests can and should develop a good rapport with minors. However, they must also avoid the kind of contact with minors that could cause comment on the part of reasonable people. Therefore, priests must avoid activities such as hugging, tickling, wrestling, that involve physical contact with minors.

Priests must not have minors in their rooms, nor should minors stay overnight at a rectory.

Priests must not go on vacation with minors unless parents or other adults are present. On field trips or other outings involving minors, at least one other adult should be present.

Archdiocesan Policy Regarding Priests Accused of Child Abuse or Sexual Misconduct

It is always a tragedy when a priest is accused of child abuse, and the Archdiocese is very much aware of the need to treat all involved in such incidents with candor, fairness, and dignity. Our concern must always be for the victims, for the priest involved, and for the pastoral care of the People of God in general.

No action regarding a priest will be taken on the basis of anonymous uncorroborated accusations.

If an accusation is made against a priest, the Archdiocese will investigate it quickly and as thoroughly as possible. If there is evidence of a problem, the priest will be asked to move from his present ministry until a full investigation has taken place.

The Archdiocese will also be solicitous of the needs of the accused priest in order to see that he gets the personal support he needs during a very difficult time.

When children are involved, the Archdiocese will always reach out to them and their families and assist them in a pastoral way.

If there is indeed evidence indicating a problem, the Archdiocese will ask the priest to undergo a psychological evaluation and will work with the therapists to determine the best course for his future.

It is a condition of the Archdiocesan insurance coverage that for a priest who engages in sexual misconduct, the Archdiocese will not have liability insurance for that priest for a period of at least five years from the time the incident is reported to the Insurance Company.

It is the policy of the Archdiocese that if a priest is involved in sexual misconduct, he is financially responsible for counseling or appropriate treatment for the person(s) involved.

If there are criminal charges involved, the Archdiocese will ask the priest to contact a criminal attorney and will be willing to assist the priest in seeking such help. The cost of such legal assistance is borne by the priest. However, if necessary, the Archdiocese will be willing to loan the priest the money to secure a criminal attorney.

If a priest himself discovers or determines that he is having or has had trouble with child abuse or other misconduct, the Archdiocese strongly encourages him to come forward and talk to the Archbishop about his difficulties. In an instance where a priest comes forward, the Archdiocese will assist him to seek the help he needs and will do everything possible to support him.

Given the seriousness of the consequences of sexual misconduct, especially when minors are involved, priests have a responsibility to be their brothers' keepers in these matters. While we must avoid paranoia or unhealthy interference in others' lives, we do need to be aware of danger signs in our brother priests' activities. Such danger signs might be clear violations of the guidelines presented above. In addition, we also need to be aware of the danger to priests who, without doing anything wrong, seek the company of children and look to them for the emotional support that only normal adult relationships provide.

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POLICY ON CONFLICT

COMPLAINTS, CONFLICTS

Normally, the Regional Bishop will handle complaints about clergy or conflicts between priests or between priests and parishioners. The Archdiocese will forward complaints received about clergy or matters pertaining to conflict to the appropriate Regional Bishop, notifying the sender that this has been done. The Regional Bishop will then decide on appropriate action.

When a Regional Bishop receives a complaint about a priest or information regarding a conflict in a parish, he will verify before proceeding that the parties involved have received copies. If they have not, he will ask the sender to forward them copies of the material in question, and he will not proceed with action until that has been done. This procedure does not apply to very serious matters, i.e., ones that would involve penalties in canon or civil law. In such cases, the Regional Bishop will inform the Archbishop as soon as the matter comes to his attention.

In the investigation of a conflict, those involved will receive copies of the original complaint and subsequent rebuttals and rejoinders. The person moderating the conflict will summarize and distribute to the persons involved the results of meetings arranged between the parties to the conflict. A copy of the final resolution will be sent by the Regional Bishop to the Archbishop to be placed in the file or files of the priest or priests involved.

When a priest is involved in a complaint or conflict, the Vicar for Clergy, at the request of the Regional Bishop, will supply that Bishop with pertinent materials from the priest's file. Only when they have a direct bearing on the matter at hand, will copies of confidential material be supplied.

Anonymous letters of complaint are ignored and immediately destroyed.

ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
1531 WEST NINTH STREET
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90015
388-8101

July 6th, 1982

To the Clergy, Religious and
Faithful of the Archdiocese:

With the hope of unifying the efforts and directions of all who work within the Archdiocese we release these guidelines. They represent the current expectations of each department and office designated for service to the People of God.

Each year these guidelines shall be updated and evaluated to enable us to offer greater service to each other.

A great deal of time and effort has gone into the compilation of these guidelines. We wish to thank those who have worked so hard to complete this task.

I urge, then, a careful study of these guidelines and a faithfulness to their directions.

Very sincerely yours,

Timothy Cardinal Manning

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Timothy Cardinal Manning
Archbishop of Los Angeles

4.0 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION -- GUIDELINES

4.1 SECTION I. THE BOARD OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION

1. The Archdiocese of Los Angeles shall establish a Board of Conciliation and Arbitration.
2. The Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall consist of nineteen members.
 A. Archdiocesan priests and deacons shall elect five representatives from their number, one from every two Senate Age Groups.
 B. Archdiocesan Permanent Deacons shall elect one representative from their number. (As the number of Permanent Deacons increases, the number of elected representatives should be re-examined and appropriate recommendation made.)
 C. Religious men, priests and brothers, shall elect two representatives from their number.
 D. Religious women shall elect four representatives from their number.
 E. The Archbishop shall appoint one member from each territorial vicariate.
 F. The laity shall elect two lay men and two lay women. (Until there is appropriate machinery for the election of lay members, the Archbishop shall appoint these members.)
3. The review of qualifications of members for continued service in the Board shall be the responsibility of the Arbitration Board of Review.
4. The term of office shall be four years.
 A. For the first term, two archdiocesan priests, one religious man, two religious women, one lay man and one lay woman shall serve two year terms, the choice to be left to the members of the Board.
 B. In elected positions the candidate receiving the second highest number of votes shall serve as replacement when the elected member resigns or is otherwise unable to serve the balance of a term.
5. The Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall elect from its own members its chairman, vice-chairman and secretary who shall serve terms to be determined by the Board.
6. It shall be the responsibility of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration:
 A. To supervise and administer the program and to interpret rules of procedure to be followed in conciliation and arbitration when questions are referred to it either from conciliators and arbitrators or the parties themselves.
 B. To assist parties in the selection of conciliators and arbitrators from among the members of the Board.
 C. To meet at least semi-annually to review particulars regarding cases of conciliation and arbitration. The Chairman shall prepare a written summary for the members. Additional meetings of the full Board of Conciliation and Arbitration may be called by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman when required.
 All proceedings regarding conciliation and arbitration shall be maintained in the Archdiocesan Archives within the bounds of confidential documents. They are to be available to the Ordinary or his delegate, the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, or to an "initiator" or "respondent" in a particular case.
7. Election to those positions referred to in Section I, No. 2, A, shall be held according to the same procedure followed by the Senate of Priests Election process and shall be held on stationery that will distinguish the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration from other Archdiocesan offices and boards. The election of Religious women shall be according to the following procedure: The four oldest communities of Religious women in terms of service to the Archdiocese shall each elect one representative from their respective communities. In each new election the next oldest communities in terms of service to the Archdiocese shall be called upon to elect the required number of representatives. The procedure for the election of the two Religious men shall be the same as that of the Religious women.

4.2 SECTION II. AREAS OF CONCERN OF THE BOARD OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION.

1. The process of conciliation and arbitration shall be offered to:
 A. Reconcile disputants or arbitrate disputes between individual members of the Presbyterate of the Archdiocese, or groups within the Archdiocese in which the controversy concerns a parochial matter.
 B. Reconcile disputants or arbitrate disputes between a person and a diocesan administrator or administrative body when it is contended that an act or decision, including administrative sanctions and disciplinary actions, has violated Church law, diocesan statutes, formal policy, or natural equity.
2. The process of conciliation and arbitration shall not extend to:
 A. Cases involving the validity of marriage.
 B. Cases involving labor union contracts.
 C. Cases involving religious in their strictly internal affairs, or in those matters adequately covered by the conciliation and arbitration process established by the Conferences of Major Religious Superiors.
 D. Cases involving the infliction of penalties by judicial sentence and those requiring a special process according to Part 3 of Book 4 of the Code of Canon Law. However, prior to such processes it is highly recommended that the establishment of fact in such cases be assigned to the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration; and, if the facts so warrant, the award is to be an indication to the Ordinary whether or not he is to initiate the required canonical procedures.

E. Cases involving doctrinal matters of faith and morals. The establishment of fact in such cases, however, is within the competence of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration.
F. Cases involving the academic affairs of Universities, Colleges and Seminaries.
G. Cases in which proper authorities have rendered a decision prior to date of promulgation of this document unless new and weighty evidence warrants a hearing.
H. To cases involving decisions made by the local Ordinary. However, the local Ordinary may voluntarily agree to submit any such cases to the process of Conciliation and Arbitration.

4.3 SECTION III. PRIOR AGREEMENT ON PROCEDURE

The provisions of this document do not in any way prejudice the right to submit the problem to the archdiocesan tribunal in those matters provided for in the Code of Canon Law. If the parties, however, decide to submit the problem to the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, they thereby agree to forego a formal trial.

4.4 SECTION IV. INITIATING THE PROCESS OF CONCILIATION

1. A person having recourse to the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall be styled the "initiator" and the person, group, or institution called to conciliation shall be styled the "respondent". Recourse to the Board shall be styled the "initiative" and acceptance of the process by the respondent shall be styled an "affirmative response". The difficulty shall be called the "problem".

2. An initiator may take the initiative by sending to the chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration a statement that he has a problem involving one or more persons, groups or institutions described in Section II, Paragraph 1, stating the nature of the problem. The chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration in accordance with procedural rules of the Board determines its competence.

 The chairman or appeal panel shall inform the initiator in writing of the acceptance or rejection of the initiative setting forth any reasons for a negative response. An appeal of a negative response may be made to a panel of any three members of the Board of the initiator's choice.

3. The chairman shall contact by letter the respondent and shall apprise him of the problem stated by the initiator and shall inquire if he will accept conciliation. He shall be asked if he would accept as a conciliator the person acceptable to the initiator or if he would prefer a different person.

4. In the event the parties cannot agree on a conciliator and still accept conciliation, the chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall appoint three conciliators.

5. If the respondent fails to give an affirmative response within three weeks of his first being contacted by the chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration the dispute shall automatically be place under the Process of Arbitration, and both parties informed immediately of the change.

4.5 SECTION V. PROCEDURE FOR CONCILIATION

1. Within three weeks of the affirmative response, the conciliator(s) shall discuss the problem with each of the participants.

2. Within two weeks of the second of these conferences, the conciliator(s) shall meet with both participants together (or a delegate or delegates if a participant is a group) and endeavor to guide them to a peaceful resolution of their problem. The conciliator(s) shall schedule as many of these joint meeting as seem to him (them) necessary in order to progress to a solution.

3. The first joint meeting of the participants and conciliator(s) shall be restricted to these persons. Thereafter, in the discretion of the conciliator(s) each participant may have with him advisors. In the event that one participant desires to have with him advisors, and the conciliator(s) agree(s), the conciliator(s) shall notify the other participant that he may also come with advisors. At the discretion of the conciliator(s) and the agreement of the participants, members of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration or other persons may join the meetings from time to time.

4. The conciliator(s) shall have no power to force the participants to adopt a solution. He (they) shall have the power, however, to determine that any participant is not cooperating in good faith. Prima facie evidence of lack of good faith will be a failure to attend three scheduled meetings, failure to respond to a substantial number of questions which the conciliator(s) believe(s) appropriate or failure to suggest any way of accommodating

the reasonable interests of the other participant. In the event that for these or other reasons the conciliator(s) believe(s) that a participant is not cooperating in good faith, he (they) shall apprise him of this belief orally, and failing cooperation, shall apprise him of this again in writing. If there is no cooperation after the written communication, the chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall exercise the procedure of Section IV, No. 5.

5. If the problem is resolved by agreement, the conciliator(s) shall prepare a summary statement of the problem and its resolution, and shall submit it for the approval and signature of the participants.

 If the problem is unresolved after three months from the receipt of the respondent's affirmative response, the matter should be referred to the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration for a determination as to whether further meetings would appear fruitful. If one or more participants declines further discussion, or in the event the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration decides that further discussion would be fruitless, the conciliator(s) shall file a report with the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration.

 This report should contain the names of the participants, a summary of the problems, and the efforts taken to resolve them, and certification by the conciliator(s) that despite the good faith of the participants, no resolution could be reached.

6. All communications made to the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration or to a conciliator or between participants shall be treated as confidential by all who share in them. If the problem is resolved by agreement, announcement of the agreement should be worked out by the parties and the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration.

7. If the conciliation fails, and the initiator does not wish to withdraw his complaint, then the problem must be referred to the chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration or his delegate.

4.6 SECTION VI. THE PROCESS OF ARBITRATION

1. When a dispute is submitted for arbitration, the parties shall sign before hand a specific agreement covering such matters as the nature of the problem and the remedies sought, the number of arbitrators, the manner of their selection, and the commitment of the parties to accept the decision of the arbitrator(s) as final and binding. The chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration or his delegate shall assist the parties in formulating the agreement and sign it with the parties.

2. The arbitrators for a specific case shall be selected in the following manner:

 A. If the arbitration agreement applicable to a particular case provides a method of appointment of arbitrators, this method shall be followed. In the absence thereof, or if the agreed method fails or for any reason cannot be followed, or when an arbitrator appointed fails or is unable to act, and no provision has been made for the appointment of his successor, the chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall appoint one or not more than three arbitrators acceptable to both parties according to the method of "B" below. An arbitrator so appointed has all the powers of one specifically named in a prior agreement.

 B. In the event the arbitration agreement or the statement at the conclusion of the unsuccessful conciliation does not provide a method of appointment of arbitrators, the chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall appoint (an) arbitrator(s) according to the following procedure:

 a. The chairman shall submit to each party a list of arbitrators large enough to assure a choice acceptable to both parties.

 b. The parties shall strike out those names not acceptable to themselves.

 c. The chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall then appoint the agreed upon number of arbitrators.

 d. The Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall draft its own rules and procedures with regard to time limits for making the selection and the consequences of not observing time limits.

4.7 SECTION VII. PROCEDURE FOR ARBITRATION

1. The Arbitrator(s) shall appoint a time and place for hearing and notify the parties not less than ten days before each hearing.

2. Parties to the problem may request to be represented at hearings with counsel or other authorized representative subject to approval of the Arbitrator(s). In the event that one participant is to be represented by counsel or other representative, the Arbitrator(s) shall notify the other party in order that he may also be similarly represented.

3. Persons having direct interest in the arbitration are entitled to attend hearings. It shall be in the discretion of the Arbitrator(s) to determine the propriety of the attendance of these or any other persons.

4. For good cause, the Arbitrator(s) may adjourn the hearing upon the request of a party or upon their own (the Arbitrator's) initiative.

5. Arbitration may proceed in the absence of any party who, after due notice, fails to be present or fails to obtain an adjournment.

6. The arbitrator(s) shall hear and determine the controversy upon the evidence produced. Parties may offer such evidence as they desire and shall produce additional evidence as the Arbitrator(s) may deem necessary to an understanding and determination of the dispute. The Arbitrator(s) shall judge the relevancy and materiality of the evidence offered and conformity to the legal rules of evidence shall not be necessary. All evidence shall be accepted in the presence of all the Arbitrators and all of the parties except where any of the parties is absent in default or has waived his right to be present. The Arbitrator(s) may require the parties to submit available books, records, documents and other evidence.

7. The Arbitrator(s) may have the power to administer oaths and take evidence by deposition whenever witnesses cannot be present at a hearing, providing that the taking of depositions is done with notification to the disputants who would then have the right to be present. Telephone depositions will be acceptable at the discretion of the Arbitrator(s).

8. A hearing shall be opened by the recording of the place, time, and date of the hearing, the presence of Arbitrator(s) and parties, the presence of counsel, if any, and the receipt by the Arbitrator(s) of initial statements setting forth the nature of the dispute and the remedies sought.

 The Arbitrator(s) may, in his (their) discretion, vary the normal procedure under which the initiating party first presents his claim, but in any case shall afford full and equal opportunity to all parties for presentation of relevant proofs.

 The names and addresses of all witnesses and exhibits offered in evidence shall be made a part of the record.

9. When more than one Arbitrator is involved, their decisions shall be made by a majority vote. The award shall also be made by majority vote unless the concurrence of all is expressly required by the terms of a particular agreement.

10. The Arbitrator(s) shall ask all parties whether or not they have further proofs to offer or witnesses to be heard. Upon receiving negative replies the Arbitrator(s) shall declare the hearings closed. The hearings may be re-opened by the Arbitrator(s) on their own motion, or on the motion of either party, for good cause shown, at any time before the award is made.

11. The award shall be rendered promptly by the Arbitrator(s) and, unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties, not later than thirty days from the date of closing of the hearings, or if oral hearings have been waived, then from the date of transmitting the final statements and proofs to the Arbitrator(s).

12. The award shall be in writing and shall be signed by the Arbitrator(s).

13. The recordings of the proceedings in whole or in part will be at the discretion of the Arbitrator(s). The publication of such recordings will be at the discretion of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration.

4.8 SECTION VIII. ARBITRATION BOARD OF REVIEW

1. There shall also be established an Arbitration Board of Review. This Board will not review the merits of the case as such, but rather its purpose will be to hear and render decisions on complaints of nullity or requests for correction of material errors in the award.

2. The Board of Review for a specific case will be constituted by the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration and will consist of not less than three members taken from the panel of arbitrators, excluding those who have had anything to do with the case previously.

3. The Arbitration Board of Review shall be competent to review an arbitration award where it is alleged that:

 A. The award was procured by corruption, fraud, or other undue means.

 B. There was evident partiality on the part of an Arbitrator.

 C. The Arbitrator(s) exceeded his (their) powers.

 D. The Arbitrator(s) refused to postpone a hearing notwithstanding the showing of sufficient cause for such postponement, or refused to hear evidence material to the controversy, or otherwise conducted the hearing so as prejudicially to affect a substantial right of one of the parties.

E. The method of selection of Arbitrator(s) agreed upon beforehand by the parties was not followed.

F. The decision was based on documents of a character which demands a contrary decision.

G. The rules of procedure were substantially violated.

4. When the Arbitration Board of Review decides in favor of the nullity of an arbitration award, the Arbitration Board of Review through the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration can order a re-hearing before the Arbitrator(s) who made the award or before entirely new arbitrators chosen in the same manner as the original arbitrators.

5. When an application to vacate an award or nullify a decision is denied, the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall confirm the award.

6. When a decision has been reached the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration shall notify the parties in writing of this decision.

44.0 PERSONNEL GUIDELINES

44.1 PREFACE

For long and diligent periods the Senate of Priests, through its Committee on Personnel and the respective sub-committees, has studied the role of priests in this Archdiocese. We have had a genuine tradition of fraternity. Yet it seemed proper to review the over-all condition of our position and ministry.

As a result of this study a four-point document has been drawn up, reviewed in area meetings, revised, and lately been presented to the Archbishop for his consideration and guidance. For this the Archbishop is most grateful and compliments the various members and committees of the Presbyterate involved in the document.

This document lays down principles and specific recommendations for priestly life, living and ministry. Provisions are suggested for the continued efforts to locate priests in appointments and ministries, suited to them and to the common good of the people of God. Experimental structures are proposed for the airing and solving of disputes or discontents.

We have personally attended to each detail of the document together with the Senate President, the Committee chairman, the Chancellor, and Bishop Johnson as special advisor. As a result, some emendations have been made by me in the text. These are minor and, hopefully, will be acceptable to the Presbyterate.

Some strong recommendations dealing with conflicting full-time ministries are agreed to on principle, will be implemented when and where possible, but must be left to the judgment of the Archbishop in the existential circumstances with which he must cope and assume the ultimate responsibility.

We are not unaware of the mind of a segment of the Presbyterate that has reservations about these details and, in some cases, who were reluctant to participate. We respect such opinions and pray that the personal bond that has linked me as a priest of the Diocese to them through the years will not be diminished, for my affection pursues them. We know of their loyalty to their Bishop and their readiness to fulfill any task for the asking without the formalities here involved. Let us all try to do our share so that this precious ministry of ours will not be found wanting.

It was not the intent, surely, of the Senate to propose a document of rights and privileges solely for the security of priests. We have cast our care upon the Lord. We do not look for measured service in a professional framework. We are followers of the Christ who had not whereon to lay His head. Self-sacrifice, the cross, reversal and contradiction, are our patrimony as followers of Christ. Mansions of security are reserved for us only in the fulfillment of the kingdom.

Invoking the love and reverence pledged to the Ordinary, I herewith accept and issue this emended document as a guide for our better service of the people of God and, in such a service, to give praise and honor to our heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ our eternal High-Priest.

Fraternally yours,

(+Timothy Manning
Archbishop of Los Angeles)

44.2 ARTICLE I: PRIESTS' COMMUNITY LIFE AND PARISH DUTIES

44.2A A. General Principles

1. In order that priests may find mutual assistance in the development of their spiritual and intellectual life, that they may be able to cooperate more effectively in their ministry and be saved from the dangers of loneliness which may arise, it is necessary that some kind of common life be encouraged among priests. (Ministry and Life of Priests, Art. 8)
2. Rectory life must be understood in the context of fostering community life. Where it does, it is a helpful influence; where it does not, it is destructive of priestly zeal, effective ministry and, at times, of the priest's vocation.
3. The rectory is the home of all the priests living there. The pastor is responsible for arranging an appropriate sharing of rectory facilities and staff assistance so as to assure a suitable environment for living and for work for all concerned.
4. There must be an equitable distribution of the parish work load. Duties and responsibilities should be assigned to each priest according to the needs of the people and the competency of the priest in each area. Due regard should always be given to the age and experience and a pastor's administrative responsibility.
5. Recognizing that the pastor has been given a special responsibility to assist the Bishop in the proclamation of the Gospel in each respective parish, this responsibility is viewed as one of service to the people and is shared by all the priests associated with him in the parish ministry.

44.2B B. Specific Recommendations

1. In approving designs of new rectories, the Building Commission of the Archdiocese should consider:
 (1) the presence of suitable living quarters with adequate privacy and office facilities for each priest;
 (2) the presence of a community room to be shared equally by all priests. Any remodeling of rectories should also give priority to the above recommendations.
2. It is recommended to the Archbishop that the term "Assistant" be hereafter replaced by the term "Associate Pastor" in official communications and common usage, as more accurately reflecting the relationship which should exist among priests in the parochial ministry.
3. The Senate hereby requests the Archbishop to encourage the priests in the parish that they exercise their responsibility to meet at least on a monthly basis for free and full discussion and formulation of parish policies. Religious as well as lay staff closely involved in the parish ministry may be invited to all or some of these meeting.
4. The duties of lay staff in the rectory should be reviewed and discussed with the priests living in the household from time to time, and appropriate adjustments should be made as required for the sake of harmonious relationships and effective work.
5. It is the right and responsibility of every parish priest, in consultation with the pastor and other priests of the parish, to propose the organization of parish projects (e.g. youth programs, adult education) in accord with the needs of the area. The priest in charge of any special parish ministry should plan the financing in advance and maintain appropriate accounting records. The pastor should provide supplemental financing for such special ministries (e.g. CCD, youth programs) where necessary from parish funds.

44.3 ARTICLE II: SPECIAL MINISTRY

44.3A A. General Principles

1. Priests in residence should, as much as their special ministry permits, take part in parish life and activity.
2. Priests in special ministry should be given the opportunity for study and research, both in preparation for their assignments and in order to fulfill them more effectively.
3. In selecting a place of residence for a priest in special ministry, consideration should be given to the needs of the parish as well as the area in which he will reside.
4. For the good of the people served by a special ministry, for more effective pastoral care, and in fairness to the person involved, no priest should hold and be responsible for what amounts to two full-time ministries.

44.3B B. Specific Recommendations

1. No priest should hold the office of pastor while he is at the time engaged in another full-time ministry.
2. No priest should be assigned to a special ministry on a permanent basis without having, or at least being in the process of acquiring, the necessary background.

44.4 ARTICLE III: ASSIGNMENTS AND TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL

44.4A A. General Principles

1. The Priests' Senate hereby recommends to the Archbishop that a permanent Archdiocesan Personnel Board be established in this Archdiocese effective September 1, 1972, to make recommendations as to the assignments and transfers of priests. The Archdiocesan Personnel Board shall consist of five members: three are to be elected by the entire Presbyterate in such a manner as to insure continuity, two members appointed by the Archbishop. The Chancellor, and a religious priest appointed by the Archbishop, will attend the meeting as auditors.
2. No one may be elected to serve consecutively more than two full terms of four years. If a vacancy occurs the Archdiocesan Personnel Board shall appoint a priest to complete the unexpired term. Anyone so appointed remains eligible for election to two full terms in his own right.
3. The Board will meet at least on a monthly basis. In cases of special urgency, the Archdiocesan Personnel Board Chairman and/or the Chancellor may call a special meeting.

 At the above meetings:

 (1) the Chancellor will review appointments made in the interim between meetings and indicate the current vacancies with the names of those priests who are available and have indicated their preferences for assignments;

(2) review, discuss and make further recommendations when deemed necessary on the proposed appointments including recommendations for pastorates, associate pastorates and priests in special ministry.

4. The above recommended policy does not intend to restrict the Archbishop's prerogative to deal directly with any case. And the decisions arrived at by the Archdiocesan Personnel Board are recommendations only subject to the approval of the Archbishop.

44.4B B. Specific Recommendations

1. It is recommended that a notice of three or four weeks be given to a priest prior to his change. This policy should be maintained for all normal transfers. It is recognized that cases of special urgency could necessitate exceptions to this rule.

2. In the consideration of pastoral appointments the seniority system should be continued, but other suitable criteria (personal and linguistic ability, cultural and educational experience) should be used in the final determination of the appointment. Priests in special ministry, for that reason alone, should not be given a preference over parish priests in the assignment of pastorates.

3. PLEASE REFER TO CLERGY PLACEMENT BOARD GUIDELINES FOR FURTHER SPECIFICS.

44.5 ARTICLE IV: MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION

THE RECOMMENDATIONS, GENERAL AND SPECIFIC, HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ARCHDIOCESAN ARBITRATION AND CONCILIATION BOARD. PLEASE REFER TO THE GUIDELINES OF THAT BOARD.

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August 29, 2003

His Eminence
Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger
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RE: Reverend David Granadino
Request for Dispensation in Accord with *Sacramentorum Sanctitatis tutela*

Your Eminence:

I am writing to seek a dispensation from prescription so that a canonical trial can proceed to examine allegations that Reverend David Granadino violated his responsibility under canon 1395, §2 by engaging in sexual misconduct with minors. The allegations date back approximately twenty years. While the normal term of prescription is past, it is essential for the welfare of the Church that we conduct a full canonical trial in order to establish the facts and make a just decision in the face of these allegations. Let me provide some background with regard to Father Granadino and the charges raised against him.

In April of 2002, we received an initial accusation that Father Granadino had engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. We also learned of a very intensive investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department into this allegation. In accord with canon 1717, my Vicar commenced a preliminary investigation.

When confronted with the accusation, Father Granadino vehemently denied having engaged in any sort of sexual misconduct with anyone. Since that time, Father Granadino has continued to insist that he is totally innocent. Given the furor then raging and the criminal investigation underway, Father Granadino was asked to leave the parish and not engage in any public ministry pending the outcome of the investigation. Reluctantly, he agreed. He remains the canonical pastor of St. Frances of Rome Parish, Azusa, although the other priests assigned to that community have provided for the care of souls during Father Granadino's absence.

The Sheriff's Department continued their investigation and one of the persons who alleged being harmed by Father Granadino is in the process of pressing claims for damages in a proposed civil lawsuit. Father Granadino's situation has received a great deal of publicity. Furthermore, the District Attorney for Los Angeles County has focused strongly on these charges and subpoenaed records related to Father Granadino. With regard to this subpoena and those of the records of other priests, the Archdiocese has raised legal challenges to the sweeping nature of those subpoenas and a number of serious issues related to the free exercise of religion guaranteed by

the First Amendment, the therapist – client relationship, and the right of privacy. Those issues are still being adjudicated.

Because I did not want to give occasion to a charge that the Church was in any way "interfering" with the investigation of law enforcement authorities, we placed our preliminary investigation in abeyance hoping that the civil authorities would either dismiss the case or file charges. Originally, I had envisioned that the investigation being conducted by law enforcement would be completed within a period of some three to six months, at which time we could resume the appropriate canonical process and make an ecclesiastical determination in the matter. Unfortunately, the criminal investigation by civil authorities has dragged on for more than a year, and the District Attorney still is seeking records related to Father Granadino.

With the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court (Marion Reynolds Stogner v. California, 01-1757), it now appears that there will be no criminal prosecution of Father Granadino by the civil authorities. Thus, the primary obstacle that had prevented us from moving the canonical process forward has been removed.

The evidence discovered during the preliminary investigation provides sufficient foundation to suspect that Father Granadino may have sexually abused two minor boys in the years 1981-1985. REDACTED EDACTED

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REDACTED . I have attached a copy of the summary report of the Sheriff's investigators. REDACTED one of the men who claims having suffered abuse while a minor, has agreed to cooperate in an ecclesiastical trial by providing a sworn statement. We are hoping to identify the second, currently anonymous, man and seek his assistance as well. Also enclosed is the summary of the claim made with regard to the adult relationship.

These three charges are the ecclesiastical crimes allegedly perpetrated by Father Granadino. Obviously, it is only the two charges involving misconduct with minors in which canonical prescription can be dispensed, but the fact of the third allegation reveals a potentially aggravating factor. Beyond these three charges, on other occasions during his years of priestly service, complaints have been lodged against Father Granadino for inappropriate behavior with minor boys. Investigations into these earlier complaints revealed violations of Archdiocesan policy and violations of appropriate moral and professional "boundaries," though none of these activities crossed the line into abuse. On the basis of those earlier complaints, Father Granadino was asked to seek therapeutic assistance. He did so and we had thought that the difficulties had been resolved. The recent investigation by the Sheriff, however, gives indication of recent boundary violations on the part of Father Granadino. While this recent behavior does not rise to the level

of an ecclesiastical crime, the fact that such unethical and imprudent behavior continued subsequent to therapy and in violation of Archdiocesan directives is cause for grave concern.

Father Granadino is asking that he be restored to his ministry as pastor. I certainly can understand that this long period of being under suspicion has been most difficult for him. Given the variety of allegations and complaints raised against him, it is necessary that we undertake a full trial on the merits of the charges lodged against him. Justice requires nothing less than a careful and considered determination being made in the canonical judicial forum.

Therefore, I hereby request that prescription be dispensed to enable an ecclesiastical trial on the two offenses of sexual misconduct with minors that allegedly took place in the period from 1981-1985.

Out of fairness to both Father Granadino and those who have accused him, I ask for a favorable and speedy reply to this request.

Enclosed is selected documentation from Father Granadino's file for your review. Thank you for your attention to this difficult and critically important matter. Please know that you are in my prayers. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Roger Cardinal Mahony

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Re: Reverend David F. Granadino
Prot. No. 341/03

Your Eminence:

I write again in regard to the matter of Reverend David Granadino, a priest incardinated in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He is presently domiciled within our Archdiocese. Father Granadino has been accused of offenses that constitute *graviora delicta*.

On 29 August 2003, I wrote you about the allegations that have arisen concerning Father Granadino. With that letter, I enclosed copies of a number of items from Father Granadino's file. With this letter I am enclosing the completed summary of the case using the format prepared by the Congregation and several supplemental items.

As my earlier letter indicated, we are aware of at least two minor boys who claim to have been sexually molested by Father Granadino. OneREDACTED had come forward at that time. Since my earlier letter, we have had contacts with the second individual through an intermediary. The second individual, however, is still reluctant to come forward on record. No one in his family, including his spouse, knows of this part of his life history. He fears a vindictive response from Father Granadino. We are continuing efforts to secure his cooperation.

Since my earlier letter, we have been able to conduct an interview witREDACTED
REDACTED also supplied to us a copy of a tape recording of a conversation he had with Father Granadino. A transcript of this conversation is enclosed. This tape was made as part of a "sting" operation of the Sheriff's Department, and with the legitimate legal warrants required by the laws of the State of California. Parts of the tape are inaudible because Father Granadino was speaking in a very soft voice.

Please note thatREDACTED also informed us he has withdrawn the civil lawsuit he had filed. He has become an evangelical Christian and takes very seriously the admonition of St. Paul in

his First Letter to the Corinthians (6:1-8) that Christians should not take their lawsuits to the secular forum. He explained that this decision to withdraw the civil lawsuit does not indicate he is withdrawing his complaint against Father Granadino. Rather, it reflects his judgment of conscience that he should not attempt to use the civil courts to pursue justice in such a matter. He has indicated interest in pursuing an action for reparation of damages as part of any canonical trial.

As you know from my earlier report, during his time of priestly service there have been reports of inappropriate, though not abusive, behavior of Father Granadino with minors. These reports led to interventions at the time, and provide a context for assessing the claim of REDACTED
REDACTED

Given all of these realities, I hereby renew the request made in my letter of 29 August 2003 for a dispensation from prescription and authorization for an ecclesiastical trial into the allegations against Father Granadino. As you can see from the copies of selected items from the newspapers that I have enclosed, this case has received much attention. People are aware that there is more than one purported victim. In my considered judgment, only a verdict reached by a tribunal with protections for the rights of all and the evidence carefully weighed will result in a decision that will have credibility with the people of this local church.

If the officials of the Congregation do not consider the course of action requested here to be appropriate, I would welcome direction on how to proceed in this matter.

Thank you for your attention to this difficult matter. Please be assured of my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Roger Cardinal Mahony

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

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DIOCESE	Los Angeles in California
NAME OF ORDINARY	Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
CDF PROT. N. (*if available*)	341/03
NAME OF CLERIC	Reverend David F. Granadino

PERSONAL DETAILS OF THE CLERIC	**Date of Birth**	4 October 1955	**Age**	49
	Ordination	6 June 1981	**Years of ministry**	21

ORIGINAL DIOCESE OF INCARDINATION	Los Angeles in California
MINISTRY IN/TRANSFER TO OTHER DIOCESE	
CONTACT ADDRESS OF THE CLERIC	
PROCURATOR (*include original signed mandate*)	REDACTED
CONTACT ADDRESS OF THE PROCURATOR	

ASSIGNMENTS

Year	Parish	Location	Appointment
1981	St. John of God	Norwalk, California	Parochial Vicar
1985	St. Frances of Rome	Azusa, California	Parochial Vicar
1990	Corpus Christi	Pacific Palisades, California	Parochial Vicar
1992	St. Gerard Majella	Los Angeles, California	Parochial Vicar
1995	Our Lady of Peace	North Hills (Sepulveda), CA	Parochial Vicar
1998	St. Francis of Rome	Azusa, California	Pastor
2000			Chaplin
2002			Administrative Leave

ACCUSATIONS AGAINST THE CLERIC				
Year	Victim	Age	Imputable Acts	Denunciation
1982 - 1986	REDACTED	11	Significant boundary crossings and grooming behavior beginning at age 11 or 12 involving excessive massaging and hugs, followed at approximately age 14 by removing pants and massaging buttocks, hearing the boy's confession in his bedroom followed by spanking him (including pulling down pants) as penance, touching pubic hair when pulling down the underwear of the boy, kissing on the lips. This went on from approximately age 14 until REDACTED was age 26.	2002
1982 - 1986	REDACTED	10	While in the boy's bedroom hearing his confession and spanking him as a penance (over clothing) as well as massaging the boy's back and buttocks, priest placing his hand underneath the child's pants and fondling his buttocks, a total of approximately ten times over the period of a year.	2002 to civil authorities
1981- 1985	REDACTED	13	Massages and backrubs and fondling of the buttocks, mutual fondling, progressing at about age 16 to mutual spanking of each other after confession and mutual masturbation	2002 to civil authorities
1984	REDACTED			

CIVIL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE CLERIC			
Year	Type/Case	Conviction	Sentence (*include copies of civil documents*)
2002	Sheriff's Department Investigation and Grand Jury Subpoena	Dismissed due to statute of limitations	

MEASURES ADOPTED BY THE DIOCESE	
Year	
1992	Evaluation at The Saint Luke Institute after reports of "boundary violations" with minors. Restrictions on nature of contact with minors were imposed and Father Granadino agreed to seek therapy.
1994	Intervention by Vicar for Clergy due to inappropriate manner of criticizing his ecclesiastical superior.

1998	A report reached the Archdiocese from a young man claiming that on his fourteenth birthday (1987) Father Granadino had the minor come into his room where he said he had a present for him, physically blocked his progress, and made an attempt to spank the young man, who prevented that from occurring. This encounter gave him a bad, sexualized feeling. Father Granadino denied the incident ever occurred. Father Granadino resumed therapy.
2002	Administrative Leave

SUSTENANCE PROVIDED BY THE DIOCESE TO THE CLERIC

Salary, automobile and benefits paid by the Archdiocese plus additional living allowance. Loans for $75,000 to assist with his criminal defense.

RESPONSE/RECOURSE MADE BY THE CLERIC

Year	

BISHOP'S *VOTUM*

In November of 1991, a report was made to the Archdiocese that Father Granadino was behaving inappropriately with minors, specifically with a 13 year old boy named REDACTED. The nature of the complaints did not cross into abuse, but did constitute a cause of great concern. An intervention was made, an evaluation arranged for, and a course of therapy and monitoring implemented.

Several years later a similar report of a boundary crossing dating back to 1987 was received. Father Granadino denied that anything inappropriate occurred.

Given these earlier reports, in light of the complaint of REDACTED in light of the fact that there are two other purported minor victims, it is vital to have a full ecclesiastical trial in order to ferret out the truth and act justly and responsibly. The fact that REDACTED has declined to pursue a civil lawsuit out of his religious convictions is telling. REDACTED Father Granadino has vehemently asserted that he has maintained his celibate commitment and not acted in an immoral or unethical fashion. Thus, the judges in an ecclesiastical trial will need to examine issues of credibility.

CURIA OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES IN CALIFORNIA

RE: REVEREND DAVID F. GRANADINO
Prot. No. 341/03

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March 3, 2004

Canonical Investigation of Father David Granadino

Interviewee REDACTED

Interviewer REDACTED
Monsignor Craig A. Cox, Vicar for Clergy

Date of Interview: March 2, 2004

REDACTED born November 14, 1970, was interviewed in the office of Monsignor Craig A. Cox. Cox explained the canonical steps that had to be followed regarding allegations of sexual improprieties by a priest that might lead to his removal from the clergy. REDACTED indicated that he understood and wished to cooperate and furnished the following information:

He resides in the house that he grew up in at REDACTED and has lived there continuously, except for 1988-89 when he attended school in Arizona.

He went to the Saint John of God parish school from first through eighth grade. He then went one year to Saint Paul's High School and his last three years to Norwalk High School.

He began as an altar server in either the fifth or sixth grade, one year prior to Father David Granadino arriving at Saint John of God. Another priest, whose name he could not recall, worked with the altar boys prior to Granadino's arrival. When Granadino arrived he instituted major changes into the program and made it a fun and interesting event. He created military type rankings for all of the servers and became involved socially with them. He often took the servers who served at his Mass out to breakfast afterwards and at other times took some of them to dinner, the theatre, on trips and to various other activities.

REDACTED father died when REDACTED was seven years old and Granadino became a father figure to him. He often referred to REDACTED as his godson REDACTED mother placed total trust in Granadino since he was a priest and was paying attention to her son. On two separate occasions he traveled to Canada with Granadino, to Calgary for the Winter Olympics in 1988 and also to the Expo in 1986. There were two other boys that went to Calgary and to the Expo he went with only Granadino he believes, but his memory is a little blurry regarding it. He could not recall the sleeping arrangements. At other times there were shorter individual trips they would go on. On these trips Granadino paid for all the expenses. He was very happy at the time that Granadino paid attention to him for it made him feel special.

Granadino was a charismatic person and from their first meetings REDACTED believes he began to groom him for events that would occur later. He was the spiritual leader of the group and nobody suspected that anything untoward would eventually happen. There were six to eight

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boys tha[REDACTED] can remember over the years that Granadino paid extra attention to. Most were a year or two older than him but one or two were younger.

Initially he gave[REDACTED] l shoulder massages over his clothing. This is something he did to everyone and he was very public about it. He in turn on occasion would ask for a shoulder massage from[REDACTED] n return. This was readily given, sometimes while he was sitting in the backseat of a car while Granadino was driving. From the first times that they met Granadino drove him home from church or other activities. At these times Granadino met his mother and brothers and he gained the trust of them. He began to enter the house and when this happened they would go into[REDACTED] room and the two would talk about various things. As he was growing up he confided many things in Granadino. Massages and hugs were common then. One day while they were in his room lying on his bed Granadino was giving[REDACTED] a shoulder massage and he took[REDACTED] shirt off and gave him a full back massage. This was the first skin on skin contact and it was about three or four years after they first met. Once the back rubs became common Granadino progressed to removing[REDACTED] pants and massaging his buttocks.

This activity continued after Granadino was transferred from Saint John of God. He can remember being picked up by Granadino and visiting the church he was transferred to in Azusa. He met the other priests assigned there and spent the night but nothing of a sexual nature or any boundary crossings ever happened there. He cannot recall anything happening anywhere other than in his bedroom at his home in Norwalk.

Granadino would often hear[REDACTED] confession in[REDACTED] bedroom and after confession Granadino would spank him, in the beginning over his clothes and later Granadino pulled[REDACTED] pants down and spanked him skin to skin. Granadino told him this was his penance. When Granadino put him across his lap he could feel that Granadino was sexually aroused but does not know if he ever ejaculated. Granadino never fondled[REDACTED] genitalia but he would rub across[REDACTED] s pubic hair when he was removing[REDACTED] underpants. This happened on an average of about twice a month until[REDACTED] was about 26 years old. On occasion Granadino kissed him on the lips. These would be kisses that typically lasted about two seconds and made[REDACTED] feel very awkward. He did not use his tongue or kiss him anywhere else. He never did anything of this nature to Granadino except for the previously mentioned shoulder massages. Other than these activities he enjoyed their relationship and the attention that Granadino showed him. Often Granadino would wear clerical garb during these activities.

Between the ages of 15 and 3[REDACT][REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Granadino never gave him drugs or used drugs with him but he was aware of[REDACTED] [REDACTED] at times commenting on it, and never discouraged him from[REDACTED] He was not under the effect of drugs while in the presence of Granadino.[REDACTED]

Their relationship eventually simply terminated when they stopped seeing and communicating with each other. Neither told the other they should stop seeing each other.

He has no journal or any other type of written record documenting these activities as they happened and he never mentioned any of it until reporting it to the sheriff's office in 2001. He does have photographs of him with Granadino that were taken over the years.

He knows of nobody else that was abused by Granadino but suspects that there are others. He provided no names of other possible victims. He has an audiotape of the meeting he had with Granadino at the behest of the sheriff's department. He will make a copy available if proper non-disclosure forms are signed by the archdiocese.

He indicated that his relationship with Granadino during that time period is now deeply troubling to him and he is trying to understand why it happened and why it continued for so long. He feels a deep sense of betrayal on the part of Granadino, a man who he fully trusted as his friend and confessor. He hopes that his coming forward will assist in keeping Granadino out of ministry and thus not be able to use his clerical state to prey on other youngsters.

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September 3, 2004

Canonical Investigation of Father David Granadino

Interviewee: REDACTED

Interviewer: REDACTED

Date of Interview: August 23, 2004

On August 23, 2004, at 3:40 P.M REDACTED was contacted at his home located at REDACTED He provided a cassette tape labeled REDACTED Sting Tape Operation Granadino". He advised this was the tape of a recorded conversation between him and Father David Granadino that he made at the behest of the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department on March 5, 2002.

The following is a transcript of the taped conversation:

Unknown female: Father.. REDACTED

Granadino: Yes. Come in REDACTED Gosh what happened to you?

REDACTED Ahhh...I tripped jumping over some logs. How are you?

Granadino: Ah. What happened to you?

REDACTED: A neighbor...he knocked on the door and...ahh..."Hey mister can you get my ball out of the back yard?"

Granadino: Where do you live?

REDACTED Ahh...I'm living at the ahh...the Norwalk house.

Granadino: Ahh...the Norwalk house.

REDACTED Yeah...yeah.

Granadino: I just got back from a long journey.

REDACTED Oh, is that right?

Granadino: I was three months in the Air Force. They called me up...for that Afghanistan thing.

REDACTED Really.

Granadino: Yeah. How have you been? Wow! You're looking good.

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REDACTED Thank you.

Granadino: Plus the Olympics too, as you see.

REDACTED Chuckle...ahh

Granadino: Oh man you're getting old.

REDACTED Oh yeah.

Granadino: It's good to see you.

REDACTED It's good to see you too.

Granadino: What brings you out?

REDACTED Ahh

Granadino: That took a lot of work.

REDACTED Yeah. (Sigh)...I want a...talk a...to talk about...What I'm trying to do...I'm trying to understand...(Sigh)...I'm trying to understand...(sigh)...our relationship...when I was younger. When...we first...met. (Sigh) The things that used to happen...the massages...the rub. I remember pants being pulled down, the rubbing of the buttocks. Trying...I'm trying to understand...what's going on. What I'm...That's what brings me out today. And I'm...I'm just trying to understand. I feel sad...(Sigh)...And I just have to have some answers. Why?

Granadino: I'm sorry. All I know is that...I love you very much...I've missed you in my life. (Sigh) It's my life.

REDACTED I'm just trying to understand...I mean...I'm just trying...struggling...I'm struggling with understanding God. I'm struggling with understanding...everything.

Granadino: Don't judge God by me REDACTED

REDACTED I used to give you confession. I used to give you confession and you used to spank me. I don't understand why.

Granadino: Please REDACTED .becaus REDACTED .(Sigh). You know why. Because...

REDACTED Sorry.

Granadino: Because I've always been...

REDACTED How could you be sorry and it went on?

Granadino: REDACTED what are you trying to do?

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REDACTED: I'm trying to understand.

Granadino: I don't think you can.

REDACTED: I have trouble now. There are times when I curse God. I curse God...(Sigh and crying)...And I don't understand (Crying and pause)...I don't understand.

Granadino: There's no understanding.

REDACTED I don't under...I was a kid. I was a child. I don't understand...I don't understand it...I don't understand.

Granadino: (Inaudible)

REDACTED What do you mean your sexuality? (Long pause) On a kid? I was 13. I was...that was a kid. That's what I don't understand.

Granadino: I know. You can't.

REDACTED Did I arouse you? Did I...did you find me attractive? I don't understand. I need to understand. Was it just I was a body? Was it just...?

Granadino: First of all this is not your fault. Second of all...I...I was acting out sexuality. Third of all this is not your fault. You did not do it. I did. You did not provoke me. You did not...You know I (inaudible)...I truly...loved you and it ...it just...I don't know...just acted out. And this is not your fault. Not you. You're just not another persor REDACTED You meant the world to me and I messed it up. You know...I know this doesn't ever make sense, will never make sense to you. It can't make sense to you. You can never understand that.

REDACTED Was it me? Or was it just...I'm not...was it that I was...ahh...that you liked guys and that I was young and able to trust?

Granadino REDACTED it was not you. It was not yo REDACTED This is not your fault REDACTED This is not...you REDACTED

REDACTED I'm just trying to understand.

Granadino: REDACTED t's not you. It's just not...it's not you. Okay? Yes REDACTED I like guys. Okay? Sorry. But it was not you. This is not your fault. You did not provoke this. This is mine. One of the greatest pains was having to live with, what I have to live with. But it is no comparison to what you've been through these years. I know that. I have no comprehension of the pain you have. I only have mine. And the greatest pain of all was having to be separated from you.

REDACTED How many others were there?

Granadino: No others REDACTED

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REDACTED Tell me the truth.

Granadino: Why are you asking this?

REDACTED Because I feel guilty that I let it go and that I feel others were hurt...

Granadino: No.

REDACTED ...because of what I went through and I didn't say anything.

Granadino: No REDACTED No. No one did nothing wrong. Any other questions?

REDACTED I don't understand. I'm struggling with my concept of God now. Somebody trusted, somebody that I loved...somebody whose opinion I valued and...and looked up to took advantage of me. And that's ...and I don't understand how...how that's possible. You used to...I just don't understand the massaging, the rubbing, the...

Female voice on loudspeaker: Page Father David, 31, Father David.

Granadino: You won't understand. You won't understand.

REDACTED I don't understand it was...I just...I don't know...I just don't understand. And now the questions aren't answered. I don't...

Granadino: (Inaudible) REDACTED what do you do now?

REDACTED I pray.

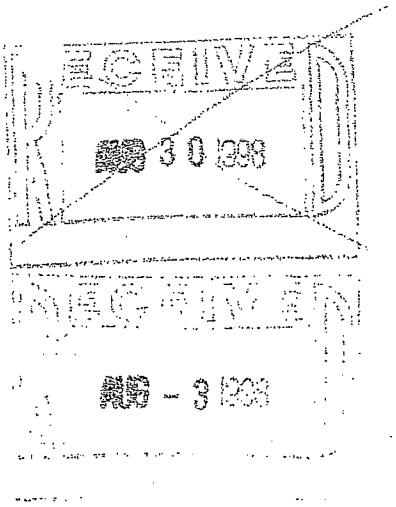
Granadino: What do you do as a job?

REDACTED

Granadino: Huh. Are you doing well?

REDACTED Surviving.

Granadino: All I ask is that you go forward. You have to.



Su Eminencia Cardenal Roger Mahony:

No es fácil para mí hacer hoy estas lineas, pero me siento en la obligación moral y espiritual de hacer conocer una verdad dolorosa.- Mi esposo REDACTED tenemos sirviendo en nuestra parroquia Saint Frances of Rome catorce años continuamente, hemos conocido a Cristo y hemos madurado bastante en nuestra vida espiritual, sirviendo a Dios a través de su pueblo, nuestra comunidad.-

Siempre somos muy celosos de que nuestra comunidad no se dañe, pero hay veces que esto queda sólo en deseos, y es por eso que hoy me dirijo a Usted con la esperanza puesta en Cristo Jesús que esta carta no termine en algún cajón de su escritorio; pero es muy preocupante para mi familia el futuro de nuestra parroquia.-

Hace unos ocho o diez años pasó por nuestra Iglesia un sacerdote asociado joven de nombre David Granadino que el único fruto que dejó fué feligreses alejados de nuestra Iglesia Católica que no han vuelto a pisar ninguna Iglesia; entre estos parroquianos hay algunos jóvenes retirados completamente e inclusive hay quienes han cambiado de religión cuando eran sumamente activos en los ministerios de los jóvenes.-

Este sacerdote cuando estuvo por acá era muy amigo de llevar a jovencitos a su dormitorio,siempre con algún pretexto, o bien para mostrar su uniforme del Army, o para darles regalos de cumpleaños a los inocentes jóvenes; este fué el caso de nuestro hijo REDACTED (14 años) que por haber sido su cumpleaños fué invitado a buscar su regalo al cuarto del nombrado sacerdote.-

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Una vez REDACTED en el dormitorio iba a pasar alrededor de la cama hasta la mesa de noche para tomar su regalo cuando el sacerdote Granadino le dijo que NO, que lo hiciera a través de la cama, cosa que nuestro hijo hizo así, una vez tirado sobre la cama este sacerdote intentó tocarlo queriéndolo palmear en su trasero, instantaneamente REDACTED se levantó y lo amenazó que le iba a sacar los dientes por la nuca, sin aceptar ninguna clase de excusas REDACTED abandonó el dormitorio y la Iglesia, con la convicción de la deviación sexual de esta persona.-

Ahora nuestro hijo REDACTED es padre de familia y aunque ya no va a la Iglesia, (como otros jóvenes de aquella época que aún sus padres no se explican que pudo haber pasado con sus hijos y el padre David Granadino) se preocupa y esta dispuesto a todo con tal de que no le suceda a otros jóvenes lo mismo o peor que a él y también se callen por verguenza, y se siga lastimando a la sociedad con esta calidad de sacerdotes.- REDACTED y yo nos preguntamos que pasará en nuestra parroquia con un Párroco con esta desviación sexual y su debilidad por jóvenes varones de Saint Frances of Rome? Una persona con delirios de grandeza, que su complejo más grande era ser hijo de mejicanos,que en sus homilias de aquel entonces no se ha cansado de decir que El no es sacerdote por vocación que fué su mamá la que lo ofreció a la virgen de Guadalupe en una emergencia en el mar; y que El no entendía a los matrimonios como podían durar tanto tiempo y (perdone usted mis palabras, pero eran las textuales de este sacerdote) oliéndose los pedos uno al otro.-

Sabemos que nadie es perfecto, pero una persona como lo es un sacerdote, con el estudio y educación que se supone debe tener además del respeto por una comunidad que espera lo mejor de cada uno de sus servidores, o es qué por ser latinos no nos merecemos algo mejor?.-

Son muchas nuestras preocupaciones Cardenal, y nuestra pregunta es que habrá pasado con los jóvenes de las otras comunidades por donde pasó este sacerdote?, y qué va a pasar con nuestra comunidad y nuestros jovencitos?

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Tal vez hasta mi esposo y yo tengamos que dejar de servir, pero si esto es necesario para salvar a nuestros hermanos en Cristo lo haremos sin dudarlo y luchando hasta el final, porque sabemos que la verdad debe prevalecer siempre como nos lo enseña el Evangelio.-

Como madre me pregunto cuántas familias o madres dejarán servir a sus hijos en nuestra parroquia al enterarse de esto? Por eso Señor Cardenal Mahony, Usted que siempre ha demostrado su interés por la comunidad latina hoy le ruego por esta nuestra comunidad latina de Saint Frances of Rome de Azusa.-

Quedamos a la espera de una solución a la brevedad, le doy las gracias por su atención a ésta y pido a Dios Nuestro Señor lo bendiga, lo ilumine, le de el discernimiento y la guía para el bien del futuro de nuestro pueblo de Azusa.

Sinceramente:
REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED
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November 21, 2004

Dear Monsignor Cox:

I acknowledge your kind letter of November 18, 2004, with enclosures.

Rest assured that the correspondence concerning **Reverend David F. Granadino**, including a check in amount $500.00 for the taxa, will be duly forwarded through the diplomatic pouch to His Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, Prefect, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

With cordial regards and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Gabriel Montalvo

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo
Apostolic Nuncio

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November 22, 2004

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Dear Father Granadino:

Please know that you continue to be in my prayers. I can only dimly imagine how difficult it is to be accused and to be in a state of uncertainty for such a long time.

As you know, in accord with the requirements of *Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela*, last year Cardinal Roger Mahony wrote to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith about the allegation lodged against you. Up to now, the Congregation has not issued any ruling or instruction in response to that report.

Please know that Cardinal Mahony has recently followed up that earlier report and has again written to the Congregation on November 16, 2004.

It would be helpful if you would please send me your current residence address and a telephone where you may be reached. The Congregation has asked for direct contact information on all of our accused priests, and so I would forward that to the Vatican.

I will inform you when we hear back from the Congregation.

May God bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy

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November 16, 2004

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RE: Reverend David F. Granadino
CDF Prot. No. 341/03

Your Excellency:

Enclosed, please find a letter from Cardinal Roger M. Mahony to Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger at the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith, regarding Reverend David F. Granadino. With his letter are copies of relevant documentation. All materials are submitted in triplicate.

Cardinal Mahony is seeking the assistance of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in this matter.

Would you please be so kind as to forward this to the Congregation on our behalf?

Also enclosed is a check made out to the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith to cover the usual *taxa* in such matters.

Thank you very much for your kind attention to this matter. May God continue to bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
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Protocol No. 341-03
Reverend David F. Granadino

Your Eminence:

I respectfully come before you to plead the case of Father David Granadino who has asked me to undertake his canonical representation in the above-referenced case as reflected in his Mandate of September 29, 2004 (Exhibit 11).

Father Granadino has been removed from his parish and placed on "administrative leave" since March 25, 2002, two years and nine months ago. .

Father Granadino was ordained in 1981. He is an energetic, warm, emotional and physically expressive person. Father Granadino has been physically affectionate to youngsters, but there is no evidence that anything that Fr. Granadino has done was ever sexual in nature or done for any sexual reason. This lack of evidence is not due to any lack of investigation. Father Granadino has undergone an extensive and public investigation by the civil authorities on anonymous allegations brought against him. In one parish alone 30 investigators were sent out by the sheriff's department to question over 90 altar boys , parents, school teachers and others. From all this investigation no evidence was found of any instance of sexual abuse of a youngster and from all the publicity, only two adults came forth with accusations of childhood abuse, neither of which was sustained in the investigation and neither adult has filed a civil law suit.

In concluding the criminal investigation, the District Attorney of Los Angeles found that there was not sufficient evidence to charge Father Granadino with any crime, felony or misdemeanor. I respectfully submit that, given the wide scope of the public investigation and the fact that the Archdiocese of Los Angeles purposely undertook no canonical investigation of its own pending outcome of the sheriff's investigation, this ultimate finding of the District Attorney, has rendered a subsequent canonical investigation under canon 1717 "superflua" and Father Granadino should have been restored to priestly ministry upon release of that finding.

I have found no decrees or precepts issued in Father Granadino's case, none initiating a Canon 1717 investigation, none concluding such an investigation, none placing Father Granadino on "administrative leave'. I have been told that the Archdiocese has referred the matter to your Congregation and asked for a formal trial. For reasons set forth hereafter, I submit that any such request is premature absent a "praevia investigatio" and a finding by the Archdiocese that it has evidence which shows that sexual abuse has occurred". If the Archdiocese was not prepared to accept the finding of the District Attorney, it should have immediately initiated its own investigation as compelled by Canon 1717, Norm 6 of the *Essential Norms* and Article 13 of *Sacramentorum Sanctitatis Tutela.* Not to have done so, and to have kept Father Granadino on leave for almost three years, gives the public perception that there must be some truth to the charges of sexual abuse against him when there is not, all to the irremediable harm to his reputation and good name and, ultimately to the detriment of the priesthood and the Church.

Some boys complained that they felt uncomfortable about Father Granadino hugging them and kissing them on the forehead. That is not unusual, especially among boys. It is not uncommon that a boy will be embarrassed if a mother, father or aunt attempts to hug him or kiss him in public. But not all love is sexual nor are the physical expressions of that love sexual. If it is, then we had better remove all the pictures of Christ caressing children and all pictures of St. John with his head on Jesus' shoulder. I am afraid Don Bosco, who took in fatherless boys to live with him, would be accused of sexual abuse today in a paranoid world which sees sex in every physical expression of affection. I do understand the Bishops' rationale now forbidding any such expressions by priests, given the scandals of recent years. It seems, however, unfortunate for in depriving children of receiving genuine expressions of non-sexual love, I am afraid we are only teaching them that every physical expression of affection is, and can only be, sexual.

Father Granadino's record shows him to be docile, humble, honest, open and sincere. He has been compliant and cooperative to every request of his superiors, a man whom Cardinal Mal[REDACTED] himself considered one of his best priests. He is most anxious to return to the active practice of his priesthood. On his behalf I ask you to urgently consider all that I submit and to resolve his case as speedily as possible.

May the Holy Spirit enlighten us all.

With the utmost respect and esteem,

REDACTED

cc: His Eminence Roger Cardinal Mahony

INDEX OF EXHIBITS
(Summaries and Comments)

1. **Confidental Database Clergy (11/04/91 to 04/30/02 only) of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles on Father Granadino.**

 1) "11/04/91: Father was ordained in 1981 and is 38 years of age…he has served in three parishes and overall, seems to have a fine record…in each of the parishes he put together a formidable altar boy program… as many as 150 boys involved… Parish communities seem to have been very supportive and even encouraging of his work." (page 1)

 2) "Until the fall of 1991 we had never received any complaints about him". (p.1)

 REDACTED , a school teacher had spoken to her class about "communications and expressions of emotion". " A number of altar boys in her class spoke up and said they were uncomfortable with Father's expression of affection in that he hugged them and kissed them on the forehead". (p.1)

 One of the boys mother, REDACTED mother told REDACTED that her son REDACTED had said that he felt uncomfortable around Father who was a welcome guest in their home.(p.1)

 She described Father's " becoming very playful with the boys REDACTED and his younger brother), often roughhousing with them and pulling REDACTED down to sit on his knee. She had seem him rub the back of REDACTED head with his own face". REDACTED told her that one evening as he walked out to his car, Father turned and said to him, " I love you- I need you". (pp.1-2)

 REDACTED told "the principal who called me" (the Archdiocese, presumably Monsignor Dyer, then Vicar for Clergy). Father Granadino was confronted on these issues in a meeting with REDACTED his associate Monsignor Richey, REDACTED the pastor, and REDACTED who asked to be present. "She made it clear that she wanted personally to present her concerns to Father and she expressed her faith in him and her certainty that there was nothing morally inappropriate in what she had observed".(p.2)

 "Unlike a number of priests about whom we have had suspicions of pedophilic tendencies, he has a regular support group of priests with whom he communicates on an intimate basis. He has, for example, shared the facts of his having been reported to me and other authorities over these incidents. While he was humiliated and embarrassed by the reports, he did not demonstrate denial as has been characteristic of some of the men I have dealth with. He acknowledged all the behavior described by REDACTED and his mother, as well as the

reports from the principal that he drives altar boys to their homes on Saturdays after practice and dismisses REDACTED them with a kiss on the cheek or forehead. He was able to see how telling 'I love you and I need you " was inappropriate.(p.2)

On 12/29/91 Fr. Granadino signed an agreement to a) spend less time on the altar boy program, b) not visit homes of altar boys, 3) not take minors in his car, d) to limit physical contact with minors to shaking hands.(p.1)

He also "seemed quite willing to go through this evaluation", i.e. a psychological evaluation at St. Lukes's Institute, where he "was admitted on 1/12/82". (pp.2-1).

" 1/24/82, Excerpts from his evaluation: We have no evidence at this time that he was sexually motivated in terms of his behavior towards minors...We have No evidence to suggest that he was withholding conscious thoughts and motivations... .We found him to be a man of many interpersonal emotional and spiritual strengths who is undoubtedly a fine priest...(pp. 2-3)

Father Granadino was asked by The Archdiocese to see a therapist and not to engage in work with minors remarking "We do not ask this for any lingering doubts on our part but rather to be on the safe side...both for your sake and to avoid any further comments on the parish... Fr. Granadino was referred to a Psychiatrist REDACTED (p.3)

On May 12, 1992 Monsignor Dyer wrote to Cardinal Mahony, "At present, I am pleased to say that he (Fr. Granadino) has been most cooperative with all aspects of our intervention and follow-up. I see no danger being posed by his involvement in full-time ministry". On May 13 Cardinal Mahony replied "I concur in all of the above." (p.3).

On March 13, 199? REDACTED wrote to monsignor REDACTED, I have been treating Father since April 1992. We have been in this theraputic relationship for eleven months. The evaluation from SLI (St. Luke's Institute) and my own evaluation have found that there is no evidence that he has any sexual attraction to children nor has exhibited any sexual behaviors with minors... he has modified his behavior ...In August 0f 1992, I suggested lifting the restrictions in regard to his ministry with minors... I find him to be an open and introspective person... a more mature priest in ministry because of these experience. I believe that the likelihood of Father ever committing a sexual act with children is quite low". (see Exhibit 2, Report c REDACTED dated 3/13/93)

January 25, 1995: "no reports of inappropriate actions with minors". (p.4)

July 1, 1998: Fr. Granadino appointed pastor of St. Frances of Rome. (p.4)

July 31 1998 REDACTED write to Cardinal saying Fr. Granadino "touched their son REDACTED on the buttocks". On August 11 REDACTED said "Father did NOT touch him". On August 31, 1998, Monsignor Loomis (Vicar for Clergy) met with Fr. Granadino. Father Granadino "emphatically denied that the incident regarding REDACTED ever happened. He denies ever having minors in his room at St. Frances of Rome. He understands the difficulty caused for us by his earlier problems and treatment as well as the question of credibility brought by this allegation. He was authentically distressed and pained by the allegation. Msgr. Loomis found him very credible. Father is going to speak to his therapist, his spiritual director and REDACTED and decide if for the good of the parish should lead him to resign". (p.5)

On January 6, 1999, six months after th REDACTED matter, Cardinal Mahony writes to Fr. G. praising his work as Pastor of St. Frances of Rome and calling him one of the Archdiocese's best priests. This letter is Exhibit 10.

October 25, 1999 : " He (Fr. Granadino) continues serving as pastor." (p.5)

March 22, 2002: An anonymous woman calls the Archdiocesan 800 hotline stating that Father Granadino was "currently involved in misconduct with an altar server" - Msgr. Cox's March 24 memo to Cardinal Mahony says the anonymous call alleged that Father Granadino was abusing altar servers." (p.5) " Sheriff's department is "carrying out an investigation right now". (p.5) Father Granadino advised of all this by Msgrs. Loomis and Cox. Father Granadino "denied forcefully any misconduct. He was shocked and chagrined by the allegations"(p.5). He was asked to provide a roster of the altar boys, 94 of them and showed no reluctance to do so.(p.5) "He reluctantly accepted the need for him to move out of the parish for a brief time while the investigation is underway". (Msgr. Cox's e-mail to Cardinal Mahony 3/24/2002). Cardinal's e-mail response on same day 3/24/2002: "I am pleased his openness to the process and his willingness to provide the altar servers list. Let's hope the investigation can proceed quickly as that this can be finalized as early as possible".

The investigation ended and was "finalized" in Father Granadino's favor by May-June 2003, one year and seven months ago, and probably earlier than that. Father Granadino, however. has not yet been returned to his parish and to his priestly ministry

March 29 to April 10, 2002: Sheriff investigators at parish "en mass, speaking to priests of the parish, the parish staff, people at the school and anyone else they could find. In addition the media was there... investigators had completed interviews of 91 of the 94 altar boys. On April 18, 2002, a letter was read during the weekend masses at St. Gerard where Fr. G. had served as associate pastor from September 1992 through June 1995 asking parishioners who have

information to report that might assist the police investigation to contact the Sexually Exploited Child Line of the Los Angeles Police Department. (p.8)

2. **Report of**REDACTED **to Vicar of Clergy dated March 15,1993**

3. **News Paper Articles Relating to the Police Investigation.**

4. **Letter of Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office dated November 7, 2003 affirming that the Intensive Police Investigation produced no evidence sufficient to charge Father Granadino with any crime, felony or misdemeanor.**

5. **Affidavit of**REDACTED **retired Los Angeles Deputy Sheriff, dated July 23, 2003 stating that the anonymous call of March 22, 2002 to the Archdiocese alleging Sexual abuse of minors by Fr. Granadino was made by the wife of one of the investigators.**

6.REDACTED **letter to Fr. Granadino's former Canonical Counsel,** REDACTED **dated July 17, 2003 affirming the above affidavit of**REDACTED

NOTE: The intensive investigations and publicity of Fr. Granadino has resulted in only two adult men alleging that they were sexually abused by Fr. Granadino . One isREDACTED who went directly to the media in April 2002 when publicity of the investigation had begun. He consulted a civil lawyer and contemplated filing a lawsuit against the Archdiocese. He apparently changed his mind, or was advised to, because he did not file any suit by December 31, 2003, the deadline for doing so. His allegation was investigated by the Sheriff's Department who even equipped REDACTEDwith a hidden tape recorder (Exhibit 3, p.7) in an attempt to have Fr. Granadino talk to him and say something that would suppo r REDACTED allegation. The police had and examined this tape along with all the evidence mentioned in Exhibit 3. The District Attorney obviously concluded that this tape did not suppor REDACTED allegation of sexual abuse. If a copy or a transcript of this tape, which I have never seen, was sent to the Congregation by the Archdiocese I submit that it does not constitute proof of sexual abuse whatever else it might indicate.

The name and the exact allegation of the second accuser are not known to me. Obviously no evidence to support it emerged from the investigations and it too remains but an unsubstantiated allegation. This accuser has also never filed a lawsuit on his allegation.

Were Fr. Granadino a pedophile, one would have expected the notoriety of his case and the intense investigation (the interview of over ninety altar boys alone at one parish) to have produced many accusers and much corroborating evidence. This did not happen.

7. **Father Granadino's Confidential Statement of Facts given to** REDACTED **his canonical counsel on October 18, 2004 concerning the** REDACTED **ccusation, which he denies.**

8. **Letter of Monsignor Cox to** REDACTED **dated July10, 2004.**

1. The letter is wrong when it states that Fr. Granadino has not been cleared and that the Sheriff's investigation " was closed because the Supreme Court's decision on statutes of limitations precluded law enforcement from formally charging Fr. Granadino".

The Los Angeles District Attorney's Office has specifically stated that law enforcement closed the case and did not charge Fr, Granadino with any crime because its "Sex Crime Division has reviewed the evidence available and has determined that there is insufficient evidence to charge Fr. Granadino with any crime, felony or misdemeanor". (Exhibit 3) Fr. Granadino was, indeed, "cleared:.

It was a great injustice to Father Granadino, to his parishioners, to the priesthood and to the Church for the Archdiocese to give out such blatantly erroneous information about the results of the Sheriff's investigation which had been so publicized in the parishes and in the press. Justice not only demanded that the result of the sheriff's investigation in the very words of the District Attorney be given to anyone who asked about the matter but also placed an affirmative duty on the Archdiocese to publicize this finding of the District Attorney. This was not done. Instead, Father Granadino was kept on leave and the Archdiocese put out the erroneous message the that District Attorney had not charged Fr. G. because it was prevented from doing so by a technicality rather than stating the truth of the matter, namely, that Law enforcement did not charge Fr. Granadino because , after an exhaustive investigation, it did not find sufficient proof that any of the allegations of sexual abuse against Fr. Granadino are true.

The combination of the Archdioceses keeping Fr. Granadino on leave and incorrectly stating the reason why the sheriff department closed its case has caused and continues to cause needless, irremediable and unjustifiable damage to his good name and reputation. Those actions imply that, had law enforcement not been prevented by a stature of limitations, it had sufficient evidence and would have charged Fr. G . This is absolutely not true given the statement of the District Attorney.

Furthermore it is not even true that the District Attorney was prevented from charging a crime because of a statue of limitation. The applicable statute of limitation at the time "authorized prosecution for criminal acts committed many years beforehand - and where the original time period has expired - as long as prosecution begins within a year of a victim's first complaint to police". The Supreme Court case (Stogner v. California) which overturned this 1996 provision was not decided until June 26, 2003. Law enforcement had plenty of time before then to prosecute a case against Fr. Granadino if it had found evidence that abuse had occurred. Law enforcement had more than a year and many months

after completing its investigation, to formally charge Fr. Granadino . It was not " precluded from doing so at the time by a Supreme court Decision.

2. The statement that "In order to "clear" him appropriately, we have sought authorization from the Vatican to conduct a formal ecclesiastical process within which all of the evidence can be presented and assessed and a formal ruling issued" is also wrong. The procedure for determining the truth of an accusation is not to ask authorization from the "Vatican" for a formal ecclesiastical process (trial) but for the Ordinary himself to conduct an investigation and determine whether abuse has in fact occurred (Canon 1717: Norm 6 of the *Essential Norms*: Art.13, *Sacramentorum Sanctitatis Tutela)*

I have seen no decree initiating a canon 1717 investigation, no decree or precept removing Fr. Granadino from ministry and stating the basis for so doing, and no decree concluding the investigation and giving its results.

9. Letter of Monsignor Cox for Cardinal Mahony to Father Granadino dated December 1, 2003

Monsignor Cox wrote:
"The cardinal would not even have written to the Congregation to initiate the canonical process had the criminal investigation still been pending. The allegations raised against you must now be adjudicated canonically. There is no way to waive this obligation, and the finding of the District Attorney carries no canonical authority. The jurisdiction of the congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in this matter bind the Cardinal and he has reported the matter to the Congregation as he is required to do so. We await the direction of the Congregation". (second paragraph)

Comments:

1. An Ordinary does not need authorization from the Congregation "to initiate a canonical process" to determine whether abuse has in fact occurred. The process begins with the "praevia investigatio' of Canon 1717, the very first canon on "De Processu Poenali", and not with a formal canonical trial.

The ordinary is not only authorized by law to initiate this canonical process, he is duty-bound to initiate this investigation on his own "whenever" (quoties) information of possible abuse comes to the Arch-Diocese, in this case in March and April of 2002. The Ordinary was bound by law to immediately issue a decree initiating a Canon 1717 canonical investigation, also required by Norm 6 of the *Essential Norms* (an investigation " will be initiated and conducted promptly and objectively). It was not done. 6.

The "canonical" investigation into the allegations against Fr. G. should have been initiated and conducted more than 2 years and nine months ago. I know of no canonical investigation having been conducted by the Archdiocese either during or after the conclusion of the sheriff's investigation and before this case was prematurely referred to the Congregation.

2. The fact that civil authorities (District Attorney) may be investigating the same allegations against the same person does not in canon law allow or justify any delay, postponement or derogation of the Ordinary's duty to immediately commence and conclude the Canon 1717 investigation.

The letter admits that, canonically, nothing was done or would be done while the civil criminal investigation was pending. This unjustifiable delay is not only unlawful but makes no sense given the statement in the letter that "the finding of the District Attorney carries no canonical authority". If it carries no canonical authority, why wait for the District Attorney's case to conclude before taking any mandatory canonical action?

It is difficult to understand why the Archdiocese would suspend any investigation of its own pending the finding of the District Attorney after the Sheriff's investigation if such finding "carries no canonical authority". It is more difficult to understand why the finding was not acknowledged and/or accepted by the Archdiocese, especially when the Archdiocese did not, thereafter initiate any further investigation of its own.

Given the intensity and publicity of the criminal investigation, it seems that the District Attorney's finding should have been publicized and warranted justification for restoring Father Granadino to his parish and his ministry.This finding made any "canonical" canon 1717 investigation "superfluous" and excused the Ordinary for the obligation to conduct one. The obligation exists " nisi haec inquisitio ominino superflua videatur". Canon 1717(1). a fortiori. A fortiori there is no basis for asking for a formal trial.

3. The letter continues: " The jurisdiction of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in this matter binds the Cardinal and he has reported that matter to the Congregation as he is required to do".

The Cardinal is not "required to report the matter, if at all, to the Congregation until *after* he has conducted the preliminary investigation and Then only is he has discovered evidence sufficient to show that a delict was Actually committed.

"Quoties Ordinarius vel Hierarcha notitiam saltem verisimilar habeat de delicto reservato, *investigatione pravia peracta(concluded)* eam significet Congregationi pro Doctrina fidei...". *Sacrmantorum Sanctitatis Tutela*, Art 13. "When an allegation is received...a preliminary investigation in

harmony with canon law will be initiated and conducted promptly and Objectively...*When there is sufficient evidence that sexual abuse of a minor has occurred, the congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith shall be notified*". Norm 6 of the *Essential Norms*.

I do not know what if any evidence was sent to the Congregation but I am aware of none which can sustain the burden of proof necessary to establish the allegations against Father Granadino.

"To make sure of the objective nature of this certainty, procedural law establishes well defined rules of inquiry and proof. Determinate proofs or corroborating evidences are required". (Pius XII Allocution to Rota, 1 Oct., 1942, AAS 34-338). There is no "determinate proof" or " corroborating evidence for either allegation. They remain allegations and not facts.

In the letter which is Exhibit 9, Monsignor Cox writes to Father Granadino:

"As you know, in accord with the requirements of *Sacramentorum Sanctitatis Tutela*, last year Cardinal Roger Mahony wrote to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith about the allegation lodged against you". There is no requirement to write the Congregation about an allegation. The Ordinary is only required to notify the Congregation *after* he has conducted and concluded an investigation into the allegation and has produced evidence that can prove that a delict was, indeed, committed. Unless Cardinal Mahony has sent the Congregation the results and proofs of his canonical investigation - if one has ever been conducted - along with his Votum , it would seem that the only directive the Congregation could give him is to immediately initiate the preliminary investigation or, in the absence of any new evidence discovered after the conclusion of the Sheriff's investigation to accept the results of that investigation and restore Fr. G. to his parish and his priestly ministry.

10. Letter of Monsignor Cox to Father Granadino, dated November 22, 2204.

11. Letter of Cardinal Mahony to Father Granadino, dated January 6, 1999.

The Cardinal thanks Fr. G. for his "zeal, commitment and service of our people" and says he counts Fr. G. as one of his best priests. He writes that he values Fr. G's pastoral leadership at St. Frances and remarks that "we (brother priests) really need to support each other as never before." Father Granadino seeks and awaits that support.

12. Mandate

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11/04/18 REDACTED (7th grade teacher) reported inappropriate behavior with altar servers at Corpus Christi Parish. The teacher made the phone report on 11/06/1991. The report was made to Child Protective Services.They said they would not handle it since not a situation within the home. They would transfer it to the police. 12/29/1991 Father signed the following agreement: 1. That he will begin to diminish the amount of time and energy spent in the parish Altar Boy Program without letting that program be cancelled or fall into disrepair; 2. That he will discontinue visits to the homes of altar boys; 3. That he will not take minors with him in his car; 4. That physical contact with minors will be limited to shaking hands. REDACTED also signed this agreement.) 01/12/1992 He was admitted to SLI for an evaluation. 01/12/1992 Excerpts from Msgr. Dyer's faxed letter to SLI: Father was ordained in 1984 and is 38 years of age. He has served [redacted] parishes and, overall, seems to have a fine record. There has been some concern about his heavy involvement in extra-parochial activity through the years, e.g., the Reserves, the International Olympic Committee, and a diplomatic committee in the City of Los Angeles that welcomes foreign dignitaries. None of these involvements are of themselves questionable, other than in terms of the extent of time and energy he is devoting to them. I mention them only as background so that you understand why he may have some difficulty in settling down to and focusing on an assignment. In each of the parishes to which he was appointed, he put together a formidable altar boy program, based on a military model. In his first parish, there were as many as 200 boys involved. Parish communities seem to have been very supportive and even encouraging of his work with youth. Until the fall of 1991 we had never received any complaints about him. At that time, however, the principal of his parish school communicated to me that her sixth grade teacher had been visited by a school parent whose child she had taught the previous year REDACTED had made some remarks about communication and the expression of emotion to her religion class students. A number of the altar boys in her class spoke up and said they were uncomfortable with Father's expression of affection, in that he hugged them and kissed them on the forehead. REDACTED mother informed REDACTED e that her son had come to her saying that he felt uncomfortable around Father, who had been invited to visit their home on a number of occasions. REDACTED related that Father was a welcome guest in her home, and that he had gone there a couple of times for dinner and to watch TV with her two sons - : and a younger son, now in second grade. She described Father's becoming very playful with the boys, often roughhousing with them, and pullin down to sit on his lap. She said she had seen him rub the back o head with his own face. Whil REDACTED hesitated to use the word "nuzzling," that was the word later used by her brothe REDACTED to describe Father's behavior. REDACTED father divorced his wife a year ago, and REDACTED became the only male relative in the boys' lives. He lives out of state, but has taken an interest in his nephews and visits as often as possible.) One evening while he was there, Father came and sat down with him and the two boys in the kitchen, pulli REDACTED onto his lap and putting his arms aroun waist as he sat there. REDACTED told me that he was infuriated by Father's behavior, came very close to confronting him, and hesitated only because of his priesthood and because REDACTED seemd to see nothing wrong with it. REDACTED himself finally came to his mother to express his own discomfort with Father's pulling

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him onto his lap and affectionate behavior, and he then told her that one evening, when he walked Father out to his car, he turned to him and said "I love you, I need you." Two weeks later, in the sacristy after Mass, when the other boys had left and REDACTED was alone with Father, he once again told him: "I love you and I need you." It was at this point that REDACTED went to REDACTED who went to the principal, who, in turn, called me. When I confronted him on these issues, (along with the REDACTED asked to be present. She made it clear that she wanted personally to present her concerns to Father, and she expressed her faith in him and her certainty that there was nothing morally inappropriate in what she had observed. REDACTED does not see eye-to-eye with his sister in the matter. His observations led him to say that his behavior towards his nephew frightened and angered him, and that it was certainly inappropriate and must cease. The principal and REDACTED stated that he spends a good deal of time with his altar boys, sometimes visiting them at the school, but that he does not related well to women on the faculty nor to the female students. The school secretary remarked: "I sure would not want one of my boys in his altar boy group." When the principal asked why she would say that, she replied: "There's something about him." Since these reports, I have met with him several times, and I see certain positive elements. Unlike a number of others about whom we have had suspicious ofpedophiliac tendencies, he has a regular support group of priests with whom he communicates on an intimate base. He has, for example, shared the facts of his having been reported to me and other authorities over these incidents. While he was humiliated and embarrassed by the reports, he did not demonstrate denial – as has been characteristic of some of the men I have dealt with. He acknowledged all the behavior described by REDACTED and his mother, as well as the report from the principal that he drives altar boys to their homes on Saturdays after practice and dismisses them with a kiss on the check or forehead. He was able to see how telling REDACTED "I love you and I need you" was inappropriate. I questioned him about any behavior with boys that he himself later felt uncomfortable about. He replied: "Yes, sometimes I have come up from behind a boy and put my arms around him, and I'd get a reaction, and later I'd say to myself 'I shouldn't do that.'" We are sending him to you for evaluation because we are not certain about his sexual tendencies with minors. We suspect that there has been, as he claims, no genital contact at any time with youngsters. However, Msgr. Richey and I both feel that he may be "ripe for future weakness," and while there may never have been any serious acting out, there is a need to confront this behavior before it develops further. He seems to have an emotional need to be inappropriately close to young boys, and this is something that will have to be changed if he is to continue in ministerial assignment. So that you are aware of his present situation in his assignment, I am attaching copy of a "contract" recently signed by him and his REDACTED In speaking with him, I get the sense that he himself has doubts about his own sexual feelings. I suspect that he does not deal clearly or consciously with them and perhaps struggles to avoid conscious reflection on what he is doing. He seems quite willing, following his initial embarrassment, to go through this evaluation, and it is our hope that it will reveal to you and to him something about his own emotional needs and how he can develop maturely in this area. 01/24/1992 Excerpts from his evaluation: He was somewhat defensive on our psychological testing procedures, we still feel that the data and impressions we gathered have allowed us to make an accurate evaluation of his current functioning. Summary and Recommendations: Our psychosexual disorder diagnosis reflects the fact that there have been several young people who have complained about his expression of physical affection towards them and the fact that he was warned about his physical expressions in 1990, but that his behavior continued to be problematic after this warning. We have no evidence at this time that he was sexually motivated in terms of his behavior towards minors. We are thus left with the conclusion that his behavior may be motivated by many factors, including his needs for affiliation and affirmation. However, he has not been able to adapt to his situation by restricting his behavior in ways that will not create concerns in others. We, therefore, believe that his difficulty in recognizing behaviors that others will find alarming contributes to the trouble he is in. It may be that his naivete and tendency towards repression may allow him only to see the contribution that cultural factors have towards this problem. We, therefore, believe that he needs to address the limitations in his awareness of the behavior that other people will find suggestive of sexual interest. We also must allow for the possibility that his behavior is unconsciously sexually motivated and that he may, in fact, be sexually drawn to adolescents. We have no evidence to suggest that he was withholding conscious thoughts and motivations, but we believe that there may be unconscious material motivating his behavior. We, therefore, recommend that he undergo an additional test to help him understand his sexual

orientation and feelings. This test, called penile plethysmography, will help him understand his sexual feelings more deeply. We also recommend that he have some time to reflect on the impact of these complaints and his own reaction to them. We are aware that there is a retreat facility called REDACTED and that a priest there, REDACTED is particularly able to help others reflect on difficult circumstances like these. It is our recommendation that he take advantage of the possibilities in this experience. Our specific recommendations are as follows: 1. That he undergo the plethysmography suggested above. 2. If the plethysmography suggests no strong attraction to male minors, we then recommend that he become involved in outpatient psychotherapy to focus on the various sexual issues and personality issues described in the report. We are confident that his high motivation and significant intellection and emotional resources will be powerful tools in his psychotherapy experience. 3. In the unlikely circumstances that the plethysmography suggest strong sexual attractions to minors, he may need to consider the possibility of residential treatment for this difficulty. We found him to be a man of many interpersonal, emotional, and spiritual strengths who is undoubtedly a fine priest. 05/18/1992 Excerpts from Msgr. Dyer's letter to Father: In line with our conversation here in my office on March 18, I want to outline the points we agreed upon following the January 24 report from SLI. First of all, we will not order a plethysmography and respect your preference in this matter. Cardinal Mahony has indicated, however, that should there be further questions raised about your behavior, he would reconsider either that or other testing, in line with the recommendations of the Institute. Secondly, we are presently seeking the best possible therapist, so that you may begin counseling to focus on the various sexual and personality issues described in the report. Finally, we ask that throughout your present assignment, and perhaps into the next, you not be in charge of the altar boys or other ministries that involve minors. We do not ask this because of any lingering doubts on our part, but rather, to be on the safe side and to take all possible precaution -- both for your sake and to avoid any further comments on the parish. I am concerned that you may experience a sense of depression, or feel that the Archdiocese lacks confidence in you and your priestly ministry. As Msgr. Richey and I repeatedly told you in the office, this is simply not the case. In this day and age, anything that involves minors must be treated with the utmost precaution. I would also repeat that counseling is not being recommended as a punitive measure. We see it as an opportunity for growth and human development that can only effect for the better your priestly ministry. 05/12/1992 Excerpts from Msgr. Dyer's memo to Cardinal Mahony: Father Granadino has been referred by Dr. REDACTED to Dr. REDACTED a psychiatrist with a background in the area that has affected Father. Apart from this, he is restricted from ministry to minors in the parish and REDACTED has the responsibility to oversee this arrangement. At present, I am pleased to say that he has been most cooperative with all aspects of our intervention and follow-up. I see no danger posed by his involvement in full-time ministry. He mentioned that things were going quite well in the parish, and that his relationship with REDACTED -- both in terms of personal support as well as work -- is very positive. At this point, it would probably be in the best interests of Father that he continue on at Corpus Christi for the time being. 05/13/1992 Cardinal Mahony's response: "I concur in all of the above -- positive!" 05/15/1992 Excerpts from Dr. REDACTED letter to Msgr. Dyer: I have been treating Father since April 1992. We have been in this therapeutic relationship for eleven months. The evaluation from SLI, and my own evaluation have found that there is no evidence that he has any sexual attraction to children, nor has ever exhibited any sexual behaviors with minors. He has emotional needs which have origin in childhood and family issues which were triggered at Corpus Christi. With a better understanding of his background, his emotional makeup and needs, he has modified his behavior and continues to monitor himself. In August 1992, you and I met with him for an evaluation of the restrictions placed on his ministry. As there was no evidence or indication that he has any sexual preference for children, nor has acted sexually towards minors, I suggested lifting the restrictions in regard to his ministry with minors. He was entering a new parish assignment at St. Gerard's Parish. Since then, he has continued to explore his emotional and sexual self in therapy. 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02/05/1995 Excerpts from

Msgr. Dyer's memo to Cardinal Mahony: Recently, Father indicated an interest in becoming a pastor. Dr. REDACTED said he would write a letter indicating that there would be no significant risk in the Archdiocese's making such an appointment. Shortly thereafter, the difficulties with Dr. REDACTED caused me not to seek such a letter and the question was postponed. He raised the issue again in the fall of 1994. At his January 25, 1995 meeting [illegible] reviewed: a) a summary of the SLI's evaluation; b) behavior since the SLI findings--no reason for inappropriate actions with minors, but a letter to classmates which calls his practical judgment into question. request to be a pastor. After hearing the original reports of concern (which includes accounts of the unusually great amout of time organizing altar boys, frequent "hello" and "good-bya" kisses and hugs, holding a seventh-grader in his lap when it was plain to others that the youngster was uncomfortable and telling a young boy on at least two occasions, one-on-one, "I love you, I need you",) the Board reviewed the SLI's recommendations. These included the recommendation of a plethysmography as the only way in this case to resolve the question of his sexual orientation towards youngsters. The Board concurred in our original decision not to ask for the invasive procedure -- stating that basic human rights were involved. They did, however, understand the dilemma and held that the uncertainty in this case leads to the conclusion that he is not as safe as we would like a priest to be. The Board strongly recommended that the newly-formed protocol for priests in therapy, with a pastor working in cooperation with a therapist and spiritual director to hold the associate accountable, would go a long way in building the sense of safety the Church needs in this case. They recommend that the question of his being named pastor be put on indefinite hold; that he be re-assigned to another pastor and begin our new protocol; that his therapist work on the issue of his "practical judgment" -- as his letter to classmates bore out to a disturbing degree the Axis II diagnosis by SLI: "compulsive, dependent, and histrionic" traits. These would be at issue if he were ever to be considered for a pastorate. 02/06/1995 Cardinal Mahony's comment: "Only way to proceed. I agree." 07/01/1995 He was appointed Assoc. Pastor of Our Lady of Peace, Sepulveda. 07/01/1998 Appointed Pastor of St. Frances of Rome, Azusa. 07/31/1998 REDACTED wrote to Cardinal Mahony to inform him that Father touched their son, Martyn, on the buttocks when he was 14 years old. The boy was invited to Father's room with the excuse that Father had a birthday present for him. They are parishioners from St. Frances of Rome, Azusa, and they are outraged that Father was appointed Pastor there on July 1. According to the REDACTED people have left the parish and the Church because of the harm that he did at the parish. He liked to take young boys to his bedroom. 08/10/1998 Msgr. Loomis' update for the file: In response to the REDACTED letter, Father REDACTED Gonzalez called the REDACTED family on August 7 to let them know that the Cardinal had referred their letter to us and to see if we could arrange an appointment with their son, Martyn. Father Gonzales reported to Msgr. Loomis that the conversation was a pleasant one and that Mrs. REDACTED thought her son would be willing to speak with us. 08/11/1998 Msgrs. Richey and Loomis met with REDACTED at Holy Family Rectory, South Pasadena. He was very involved in Teen Spirit. Father brought excitement and the group grew. He recounted the experience he had in Father's room. Father did not touch him. When Father told him that the present was on the other side of the bed, REDACTED tried to walk around, but Father blocked the way with his knee. He said I he should lean over the bed and get it. As he did, he glanced back, and he was getting ready to spank his butt. He stood up and said: 'Not me.' He has violent thoughts against him. They offered him therapy if he should ever want it. They invited him to refer any other people who felt victimized to us. Msgr. Loomis' opinion is that Mr. REDACTED is very credible. He has no reason to believe that he is

inventing this incident. 08/12/1999 Msgr. Loomis wrote the following letter to Father: When you return from vacation, I would appreciate it if you would call for an appointment to see me. Something has come up concerning your parish, and I must discuss it with you ASAP. 09/17/1999 REDACTED met with Father Granadino. He emphatically denies that the incident regarding REDACTED ever happened. He denies ever having minors in his room at St. Frances of Rome. He understands the difficulty caused for us by his earlier problems and treatment, as well as the questions of credibility brought on by this allegation. He was authentically distressed and pained by the allegation. Msgr. Loomis found him very credible. Father is going to speak to his therapist, his spiritual director, and REDACTED and decide if for the good of the parish should lead him to leave. 10/25/1999 He continues serving as Pastor. 03/21/2002 Excerpts from REDACTED memo to Cardinal Mahony, Msgr. Cox, and Sr. REDACTED: Msgr. Cox and I met with Father Granadino in my office today at approximately 2:20 PM. We confronted the allegation to him from the 800-number hotline, stating that a woman that Dr. REDACTED estimated was about 30 years old, left an anonymous message on the hotline stating that Father was currently involved in misconduct with an altar server. She also stated that she knew that Father REDACTED had been assigned to supervise him, but was not doing a very good job. (In fact, Father REDACTED has not been assigned there for that purpose but as REDACTED .) We also told him that the Los Angeles Sheriff Department is carrying out an investigation right now. He stated that his conscience is clear and that he has no idea where this allegation might be coming from. I asked if he had any idea why someone might say this, if there had been anything in the parish that someone might have a grudge against him, if he could think of any behavior that someone might question. He could think of nothing. He has been gone for three months on active duty with the military and Olympics' chaplain, only returning a few weeks ago. We asked some questions about the altar servers. There are approximately 94 servers on the current roster, listed by rank (seniority in service.) A Mr. REDACTED (married, 30 years old, with children) runs the servers. He claims that the only contact with them is at Mass and in the sacristy. The only high school student employed at the parish that we could discover is REDACTED , a sacristan who has access to the church and the rectory all day Sunday. He is allowed in the kitchen and the front office only, according to Father. My conclusion: Based on the information in the anonymous report and Father's response, there is insufficient evidence to determine if anything has been going on. However, his past history does give this anonymous report more weight and raises concern. In the current climate, we cannot appear to be interfering; therefore, I believe we need to wait to see the outcome of the Sheriff's investigation. 03/25/2002 Cardinal Mahony's response: "I concur with the steps being taken." 03/24/2002 Excerpts from Msgr. Cox's e-mail to Cardinal Mahony with copies sent to Msgr. Loomis and Sister REDACTED Late Friday afternoon an anonymous complaint came in our 800 number alleging that Father Granadino was abusing altar servers. The LA County Sheriff's Office has been investigating an unnamed priest at St. Francis of Rome, Azusa. Given that the hotline message provided the name of a priest, Msgr. Loomis and I arranged to meet with Father Granadino at 2:15 PM today (Palm Sunday.) In accord with his duty as Auditor, Msgr. Loomis is preparing his formal report and will communicate that to you on Monday. In summary, I can say that he denied forcefully any misconduct. He was shocked and chagrined by the allegations. When asked to provide for us a roster of the altar servers in order to assist the Sheriff in their investigation, he showed no hesitancy whatsoever. I will ask Sr. REDACTED to communicate with the Sheriff to stress the need for them to act quickly. He reluctantly accepted the need for him to move out of the parish for a brief time while the investigation is underway. Given that it is Holy Week and with Easter around the corner, this was agonizing for him. I offered several options, and he agreed to go to St. Andrew's Abbey. I was particularly pleased with that. It is a supportive environment, with good spiritual directors he can consult, and if he has to stay there through Holy Week and Easter will enable him to take part in the liturgies of the Triduum. I have already spoken with REDACTED and made the arrangements for him to go there Monday afternoon. Obviously, he is hurting. We both encouraged him to be in touch with his counselor and spiritual director. 03/24/2002 Cardinal Mahony's e-mail reply: Really sad news. I am pleased his openness to the process, and his willingness to provide the altar server list, etc. Let's hope that the investigations can proceed quickly so that this can be finalized as early as possible. The Sheriff's Department will want to speak to each altar server, I presume. It's too bad that the allegation did not at least specify a name or two – someplace to begin with. 03/24/2002 Excerpts from REDACTED e-mail to Sr. REDACTED: Father firmly denies any misconduct. He will be faxing to me the server roster on my confidential fax. I will have that to you ASAP Monday morning. REDACTED

Loomis will have his summary of the conversation with you. When you communicate the roster to the Sheriff, I would appreciate it if you could stress the urgency that they act quickly and discreetly. This is Holy Week and Easter. His absence is particularly noticeable and creates burdens on others in our most sacred and busiest of times. If there is something to the allegations, then we want to be sure he is removed from ministry. But if the allegations are unfounded, the sooner that can be established and he restored to ministry, the better. If he is innocent, I am most concerned that his reputation not be damaged more than it will already be by having things drag on and on and on. I know we cannot require the Sheriff to act promptly, but if we can at least communicate the importance that they act promptly that would be appreciated. My sense is that Father will be eager to tell his story to the investigators. (a copy was sent to Msgr. Loomis.) 03/25/2002 Excerpts from Msgr. Cox's memo to file: Today, I received a call from Detective Sergeant Craig Boyett. He has just finished speaking with Dr. REDACTED. He asked me to fax the roster of servers at St. Frances of Rome Parish to him. He asked how we handled the report on the hot line. I indicated that we followed our policy, informed the priest, got his response, and arranged for him to absent himself from the ministry while the investigation is underway. I explained to the Detective that he could reach Father at St. Andrew's Priory. I gave him the phone number there. Later, I phoned back and left REDACTED private line as REDACTED requested. 03/28/2002 Excerpts from REDACTED e-mail to: Cardinal Mahony, Msgr. Loomis, Msgr. Cox, and REDACTED 1. Saint Frances of Rome meeting with Sheriffs: REDACTED reported that the meeting was very cordial. If the investigation is to conclude by next Friday, another meeting is scheduled for that day with Father REDACTED also requested when this is over and done, that a parish meeting should be called to to provide information and answer any question. This meeting would have the Sheriff representatives presenting what happened. One officer sugested two meetings since so many Spanish speaking people are involved. REDACTED vetoed saying this is one parish, and there will be no divisions. We then edited the letter that went out to the parents for an announcement in church. The Sheriffs offered to do it which offer was met with a strong "no" from Father REDACTED

03/28/2002 Excerpts from Msgr. Cox's e-mail to: Cardinal Mahony, REDACTED, Msgr. Loomis and REDACTED Just to supplement Sr. REDACTED's message, a Sheriff chaplain visited Father Granadino at Valyermo this afternoon and collected his badge/ID. There was no attempt at interrogation. Father Granadino hopes to move Tuesday to the Manning House of Prayer. I asked him to inform us specifically if he does so in order for us to inform the Sheriff. He knows he is to stay away from the parish and will do so.

03/28/2002 Excerpts from the letter Msgr. Cox and Dr. REDACTED sent to the parents of every fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade child: We are sure you have read about the many trials that the Church has been going through across the nation. It is sad that this has now come to the parish community of Saint Frances of Rome. In accord with our policy the Archdiocese is cooperating with an investigation initiated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. In accord with the explicit instructions of the Sheriff, we were not free to provide any advance notice of their investigation. We realize that this has created some consternation in the parish community. To assist any parishioner who may have been confused or hurt because of the appearances of the Sheriff's investigators, the Archdiocese is making available a number of counselors for consultation on Tuesday, April 2 in the parish center. If any member of your family would benefit from such a consultation, we encourage you to come that evening. The counselors will be there to assist you in this time of need. However, please understand that they will have no information about the investigation. The Archdiocese will have no information about this investigation until the Sheriff's Department has completed its work and reported to us. As soon as we are legally

able, we will provide additional information to you and all the parish community. 03/29/2002 Excerpts from Father REDACTED e-mail to Msgr. Cox: I just read the letter that you sent us from your office. I also added that nothing has come from the alledged allegations that were proven true. I said we needed to pray during this Mass for the Church and the parish. I did not mention David's name. Channel 13 was here maybe some others, and they stayed outside. They were non-intrusive and did not push the issues with me, but aske some parishioners after Mass their thoughts. It seemed low-key. 03/29/2002 Sr. REDACTED sent the following e-mail to Msgr. Cox: The detective is asking for the list of Father's assignments and/or residences, their addresses, and the dates he started each assignment. It is now very clear who the target is. I know in your meeting with David that you suggested that he retain an attorney. If he has not done this, he may need a quiet nudge. Do not tell him that information about his prior assignments has been requested. 03/29/2002 Msgr. Cox's response: I have printed out the summary of Father's assignment and put it in a red envelope for you. He is a military reserve chaplain. I do not have data on all of the places he may have served in that capacity. When I spoke with him yesterday, I did recommend that he consult with an attorney. I told him that innocent people need an attorney as much as anyone else. Should he choose not to do so, it is his own choice. 03/29/2002 Excerpts from Msgr. Loomis' e-mail to Msgr. Cox: A portion of an e-mail from REDACTED ascribing what is going on there. He evidently knows people in the parish. The counselors may well have their hands full. Parents evidently had to fight to be present when their kids were questioned. The word I hear from St. Frances of Rome is awful. The sheriffs were there en mass yesterday, speaking to the priests of the parish, the parish staff, people at the school and anyone else they could find. In addition, the media were also there. The staff gave the same response to any media person, to contact the Archdiocese. Every altar server has been interrogated. Only if the parents of a server insist are the parents present while the children are questioned. I hear a letter is be read from the Archdiocese this Sunday and counselors are to be there Tuesday evening. Was it because there was something specific in the call to the sheriff's, or is it due to the high profile of this type of case at the present time, or because he is a REDACTED REDACTED that the County sheriff are using tactics more commonly associated with the Geestapo? When this investigation is completed, I do not see any way that David will be able to return to Azusa. 04/03/2002 Excerpts from REDACTED letter to Sr. REDACTED Re: Notice of Legal Interest in files Regarding Father Granadino: I have been retained to present the above-named individual in all respects concerning an investigation of misconduct alleged to have occurred while he was a priest within the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. It is possible during the course of any such investigation that government agencies, attorneys, or other people will request access to any copies of files that may be in the possession, custody, or control of the Archdiocese respecting my client, his personnel records, or any record of any discipline, investigation, or proceeding the Archdiocese conducted relative to my client. He has important legal interests in any such files, derived from his various Constitutional rights. He objects to the release of any information that concerns him or any investigation about him. So that his legal rights may be protected, please give me prompt notice of any request for such records, whether the request is informal, written or oral, or in the nature of a subpoena, discovery, or any other legal process. I will then be able to take appropriate legal action to enforce my client's many legal rights. 04/02/2002 Excerpts from Father REDACTED e-mail to Msgr. Loomis: I was out to see David today. He is meeting with REDACTED tomorrow. He is OK. He says he is feeling angry, sad, betrayed, and let down. He simply wants to go home. To this point, he has not been contacted in any way by the Sheriff's Department except for the Chaplain's Superior who collected his uniform, badge, and pager. The media has been camped out at St. Frances of Rome all day today. They leave church property when asked and then return as soon as the coast is clear. Anyone the media spots on the parish grounds is approached and questioned. The message emanating from this is not only are priests now vulnerable to anonymous callers, but ahl the priests stand alone. Not the greatest time for priestly morale, but less any fostering of vocations. 04/10/2002 Excerpts from REDACTED memo to file: Sergeant Waltman, Detective Al Lopez from the LASD, Father REDACTED REDACTED and REDACTED from St. Frances of Rome and I met on Tuesday, April 9 at the San Gabriel Pastoral Region Office to be updated on the status of the investigation of allegations at St. Frances of Rome. Sergeant Waltman told us that the LASD had completed approximately 91 of the interviews out of about 94. They hoped to complete the rest this week. Additionally, that the Sheriff's Department hoped to have the investigation report would be completed by mid-week next week, with their report being forwarded to the LA County District Attorney for action by that

office. He also said that there were several things that they were following up on, for confirmation only. A concern was voiced by Sergeant Waltman regarding an inquiry from a "police" officer outside of the Sheriff's Office regarding the investigation. This "officer" was told by both REDACTED and REDACTED that the investigation was ongoing and that could not discuss the investigation. Sergeant REDACTED was adamant that there has not been any "leaking" of information regarding the investigation by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department. Also, that this "officer" was way out of line by even making the inquiry. I was asked if Father Granadino had moved, and I told them that to the best of my knowledge he was still at Valyermo. I told Sergeant REDACTED that due to the ongoing investigation regarding the theft of ACC documents, the Archdiocesan e-mail system had been shut down. I said that you were going to respond to his request for Father's previous assignments. I was questioned about the assignment and reassignment of priests. (Editorial – I think he was searching for "were the priests moved for other reasons?") Again, the subject of how the results of the investigation be reported came up. I strongly suggested that the results be presented by the Sheriff's Office at a parish community gathering. Representatives of the parish and the Archdiocese would be present, but in a support position only. Seargeant Waltman said that he would let me know when they were going to turn the report over to the District Attorney. We did not schedule another meeting, but I plan to call him on April 15 for a follow-up. (e-mail to REDACTED Msgr. Cox, and Dr. REDACTED 04/12/2002 File was copied 04/18/2002 The following statement was read during the weekend Masses at St. Gerard Majella: Father served as Associate Pastor here from September 1992 through June 1995. If any parishioners have information to report that might assist in any police investigation, please contact the Sexually Exploited Child Unit of the LAPD, which you may do through your local police station. 04/24/2002 Excerpts from Father's letter to Msgr. Cox: I talked to you by phone concerning the lawyer fees for Mr. REDACTED I ask that $5,000 be loaned to me for this purpose. I had already paid him $2,000 previously. I do not have any savings, stocks, bonds, or any investments whatsoever. I would not have asked this favor if I could have paid on my own. The investigators have been cruel and unprofessional to my parishioners, especially the young ones. They corner and scare them, and I believe that this is abuse, as they try without any control to implant ideas into their heads. Once again, I am innocent of any kind of abuse in Azusa. My conscience is clear. I fear that the investigators are trying to find something where there is nothing. I have given twenty-two years of service to this Archdiocese.

04/30/2002 File has been copied. 05/24/2002 Excerpts from Msgr. Cox's letter to REDACTED REDACTED Father David Granadino is currently on an administrative leave of absence from his service as Pastor of St. Frances of Rome due to an investigation into allegations of misconduct being conducted by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. The District Attorney has asked for a copy of all clergy files relating to Father. We are providing copies of our files to the District Attorney. I realize that, normally, the Archdiocese for Military Services does not forward copies of their files to a priest's diocese of incardination. Because we want to be fully cooperative with the District Attorney, however, I am writing to request that you provide us copies of any and all material in your clergy file for Father. I ask that you please direct those copies be made as soon as possible and send them to me by overnight express mail.

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15 March 1993

Reverend Monsignor Timothy J. Dyer
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
VICAR OF CLERGY
1531 West Ninth Street
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RE: The Reverend David F. Granadino
SAINT GERARD MAJELLA CHURCH
Los Angeles, California

Dear Monsignor Dyer:

Pursuant to your request I am writing this letter regarding Father David Granadino. I have been treating Father Granadino since April 1992. In October 1991, serious concerns were communicated to you concerning Father Granadino's demonstrative relationships with the altar boys of the parish. This was communicated to a sixth grade teacher, Ms. REDACTED and the principal, Sister REDACTED, of his parish school at the time, the Corpus Christi School in Pacific Palisades, by Mrs. REDACTED and her son, REDACTED, and confirmed by Mrs. REDACTED brother, Mr. REDACTED. No accusations of sexual misconduct were made. Concern was expressed that Father Granadino should look carefully at his relationships with minor children in his ministry.

In October 1991, Father Granadino, you, Father REDACTED, and Mrs. REDACTED met at the Corpus Christi Rectory in Pacific Palisades. Concerns about Father Granadino's demonstrative behavior towards REDACTED and other altar boys were expressed. Ms. REDACTED and Sister REDACTED described him having a curt professional relationship with some women on the school staff.

Father Granadino was given a written restriction on his ministry to the young people of his parish. He was also asked to go for a psychiatric evaluation at SAINT LUKE'S INSTITUTE in Suitland, Maryland. He spent a week in evaluation at Saint Luke's Institute in January 1992. After his return from Saint Luke's Institute, he entered a therapeutic relationship with me in April 1992. We have been in this therapeutic relationship for 11 months.

The evaluation from Saint Luke's Institute, and my own evaluation have found that there is no evidence that Father Granadino has any sexual attraction to children, nor has ever exhibited any sexual behaviors with minors. Father

Granadino has emotional needs which have origin in childhood and family issues which were triggered at the Palisades parish. With a better understanding of his background, his emotional makeup, and needs, he has modified his behavior, and continues to monitor himself.

In August 1992, you and I met with Father Granadino for an evaluation of the restrictions placed on Father Granadino's ministry. As there was no evidence or indication that Father Granadino has any sexual preference for children, nor has acted sexually towards minors, I suggested lifting the restrictions in regard to his ministry with minors. He was entering a new parish assignment at Saint Gerard's Majella Church in Los Angeles.

Since then, Father Granadino has continued to explore his emotional and sexual self in therapy. I find Father Granadino to be an open and introspective person. I believe he is a much better and more mature priest in ministry because of these experiences. I believe that the likelihood of Father Granadino ever committing a sexual act with children is quite low.

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Abuse Investigation at Azusa Church

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Los Angeles County sheriff's detectives are investigating complaints that youths at St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church in Azusa were molested by an adult. Authorities have interviewed more than a dozen altar boys.

The allegations were brought to the attention of detectives by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles after it received a tip on its hotline for sexual abuse.

Detectives said their investigation led to conversations with alleged victims. But they declined to name the suspect, the number of victims, or which of the clergy and staff had been interviewed, saying only that the suspect is an adult associated with the church.

Sgt. Ron Waltman of the Sheriff's Family Crimes Bureau said church officials are cooperating with the investigation. "This is not going to be a protracted investigation. We're going to resolve this quickly, so that this cloud does not hang over the parish," he said.

Waltman said children at the church and adjacent school are safe. "We have no information that the offending party is at that church now," he said. Father Roque Fernandez, associate pastor, declined to comment on the probe Monday and referred questions to the archdiocese. He said the pastor, Father David F. Granadino, was unavailable for comment.

Tod Tamberg, archdiocese spokesman, said, "The archdiocese is cooperating with the sheriff's detectives, and they've asked we refer all questions to them."

Last Monday, without naming the parish, Cardinal Roger M. Mahony said at a news conference that the archdiocese had turned over information from the hotline to the Sheriff's Department about an alleged incident of abuse.

The news conference followed a Mass where Mahony apologized for "the sinful and deplorable actions of a small percentage of priests" and said he had adopted a zero-tolerance policy for child abusers.

In investigating the Azusa complaint, Waltman said, sheriff's detectives on one evening last week swept across the San Gabriel Valley city and simultaneously interviewed altar boys and other youths about the allegations. "We tried to speak to as many people as we could so they could not discuss it with each other," he said.

Interviews will continue this week, Waltman said. There are about 75 altar "servers" at the church, the majority being boys in grades 5 through 8. About 200 families attend St. Frances, and 300 children attend the K-8 school.

One parishioner, Joe Rocha, an Azusa city councilman, said the probe was not mentioned during church services over the weekend. "Most of the parishioners are aware of the investigation," he said.

The archdiocese hotline on sexual abuse was established in August. It was one of 11 items required of the Los Angeles and Orange archdioceses in settling a $5.2-million lawsuit last year over sexual molestation charges involving an Orange County priest and one of his high school students.

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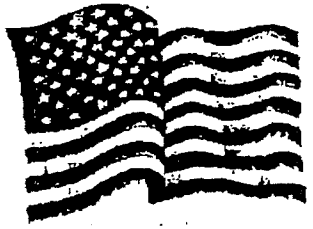
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Church official: Priest innocent

Sheriff's probe has uncovered no evidence of abuse

By Marianne Love
STAFF WRITER

AZUSA — A church official told about 100 parents Tuesday night that Pastor David Granadino is innocent of sexually abusing children at St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church.

"The allegations are false and unfounded," the Rev. Michael Sears, associate pastor at the church, said. "Father David said he has nothing to hide and that he has cooperated with the police."

Parents of students at St. Frances of Rome Catholic School, affiliated with the church, gathered in the school's auditorium to get more information about Granadino, who helps with fundraisers for the school.

Sears told them the children at school, and in church, are safe and all should pray that the investigation is over quickly.

"Let's not overreact and lose our peace," Sears said.

Granadino, 46, is the subject of a county sheriff's department investigation of alleged child abuse at the Azusa church, Sgt. Dan Scott of the family crimes bureau said Tuesday.

The bureau has conducted more than 100 interviews of children and adults and expects to wrap up its investigation by the end of the week.

Scott said no incidents of abuse have been found, but "there are several in the gray area."

Scott gave no details of the alleged abuse.

Archdiocese of Los Angeles representatives did not return repeated phone calls. Granadino could not be reached for comment.



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STAFF WRITER

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Church officials at St. John of God and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

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Authorities report new allegations

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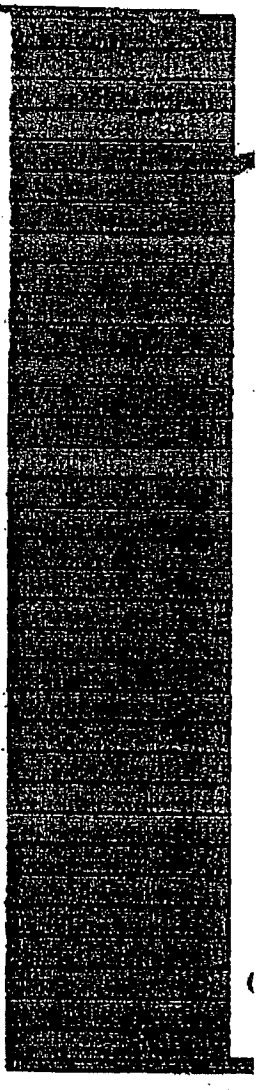
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The review, expected to be completed within 90 days, will be done by San Diego-based Metcalf & Eddy. The $50,000 study will be paid for with money from a landfill mitigation fund set aside in the 1993 conditional use permit process to be used for planning studies in Hacienda Heights.

Longtime Hacienda Heights resident Barbara Fish said she would like the study to also look at the landfill's impact to water. Also, the final EIR concluded the landfill's impact to traffic would not be significant, which is ludicrous, Fish said.

"Certainly it's an issue that needs to be looked at inside and out," Fish said of the landfill. "No question we can use that help."

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by the Diocese of Phoenix, which claimed possible sexual abuse of a boy in Arizona.

A lawsuit and a settlement

"I am a wreck," Perez said. "I am retired now, but I was massacred. So many lies and exaggerations were told."

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"I'm like a secretary at the church," said Perez, who said that he is blind and car-

Officials expand investigation of priest

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Staff Writers

INVESTIGATORS identified on Wednesday an undocumented immigrant from Mexico as the suspect in the fatal shooting in Irwindale of a sheriff's deputy. Hours later, they found the suspect's getaway car parked on a Baldwin Park street.

Besides being wanted in connection with the slaying of Deputy David March, Armando Garcia, 25, is suspected in two



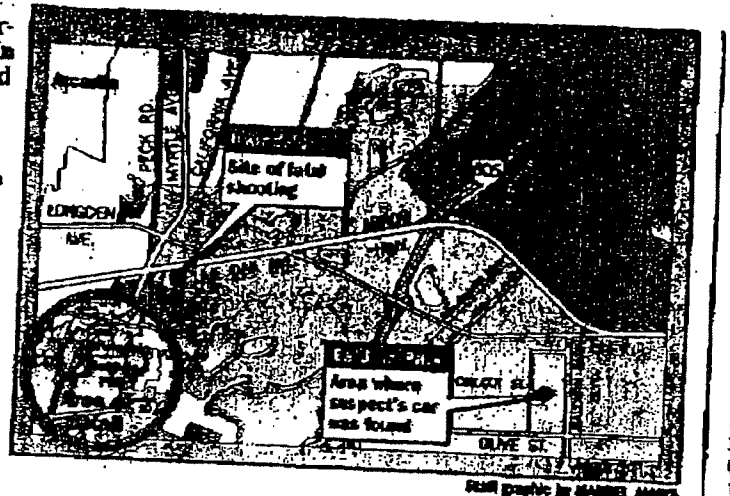
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attempted murders in Baldwin Park, is wanted for a weapons violation in El Monte and is believed to be a drug dealer, said sheriff's Lt. Ray Peavy.

"This is a cold-blooded murderer," said Sheriff Lee Baca.

From where the 1990 black Nissan Maxima was left on Chilcot Street, Sheriff's Department bloodhounds sniffed out

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Azusa priest's alleged abuse spanned decade

Man says complaint filed in Norwalk

By Marianne Love
Staff Writer

A Norwalk man alleges a priest who later went on to serve at an Azusa parish sexually molested him for about 10 years when the two of them were at a Norwalk church.

Jeff Griswold, 31, said he filed a complaint with the sheriff's Norwalk Station on Dec. 10, 2001, alleging the Rev. David Granadino, current pastor of St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church in Azusa, began molesting him when he was in the altar-server program at St. John of God Catholic Church in Norwalk in 1982. "I can confirm the investigation with Griswold, and yes, a report was filed at Norwalk sometime in December," sheriff's Sgt. Dan Scott of the Family Crimes Bureau said Wednesday.

Granadino's attorney, Don Steier, said his client is upset about the allegations.

"But he's more concerned about the effect it's having on his parish," Steier said. "He hopes the matter will be resolved soon."



GRANADINO

Sheriff's detectives are talking with three men in Norwalk and more than 100 parents and children in Azusa as part of an investigation into allegations of sexual abuse by Granadino. The

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where public education programs can be delivered from the fire department."

Covina officials, who say t are close to an agreement with county over how much the should pay for fire services, they're pleased with the announcement.

"I think the process that w been working (with) has b excellent, and I think hav somebody working in these c munities will help as well," Covina City Manager P Phillips. "I think that's a g concept."

The new positions are part reorganization of the departm and are not expected to come an added cost. Officials say t posted the openings Wednesd and hope to fill the jobs by mi July. The customer service rep sentatives will be non-sworn o cers and must have colle degrees or public affairs expe ence. They will be paid betwe $55,000 and $65,000 a year.

The concept has been in works for more than a year, o cials said.

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Man alleges decade of abuse

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investigation began March 22 after an anonymous tip was called into the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Granadino was removed from the parish and has been on retreat since then.

Griswold said sheriff's investigators gave him a wire to wear and set up a sting operation in late February or early March to get Granadino to admit on tape that he molested Griswold, who was 11 at the time the alleged abuses began.

Scott, who would not confirm or deny the tape, said April 23 that several adults reported they were sexually abused and molested by Granadino at the Norwalk church when they were children more than 15 years ago.

Granadino served at St. John of God from 1981 to 1984, at St. Frances from 1985 to 1990, at Corpus Christi Church in Pacific Palisades from 1990 to 1991, at St. Gerard Majella in Los Angeles in 1992 to 1995, at Our Lady of Peace in North Hills from 1995 to 1998 and back to St. Frances from 1998 to present.

Archdiocese representatives did not return phone calls.

Griswold said when he went to see Granadino, 46, at St. Frances in late February or early March, the priest didn't greet him with a hug, which was how he normally said hello.

"We went upstairs to his room and sat on the couch," Griswold said. "I told him I was trying to understand why he gave me massages and pulled down my pants and spanked me."

Griswold said he spent about 20 minutes with the priest.

"I was very nervous," he said. "Then, I felt empowered knowing I got him on tape."

Griswold said Granadino came into his life just after his dad died. The priest allegedly gained his trust by taking him, along with other children, out for breakfast and to the movies.

"Father David filled the father figure for me," Griswold said. "Our relationship grew. Before I knew it I was scheduled for more Masses with him."

Griswold said he is speaking out because Granadino shouldn't be around children. He said he didn't understand the incidents were molestation but he knew it wasn't right.

When asked what triggered him to report the allege abuse he said, "You can say I was touched by God."

Griswold said Granadino allegedly would massage his neck before the relationship turned more sexual.

"I'm ashamed to say he kissed me on the lips and called me his godson," Griswold said. "When I (gave my confession) to him he'd take my pants down and spank me and then gently rub me."

Griswold said that he "loved" Granadino.

"Jeff is still trying to figure out what to do," said Katherine Freberg Griswold's attorney.

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FINE

Attorney general expects appeal

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General Peter Williams said Wednesday he is pleased with the fine.

"I still think it sends a strong message," Williams said.

Williams said he expects Winston-Salem, N.C.-based Reynolds to appeal.

Reynolds attorney Marc Haber declined to comment. A company spokeswoman did not return a call for comment. In court records, the company stated the cigarettes were given only to adults from booths watched by security guards.

However, the state's court documents said the cigarettes easily could have been passed by adults to minors at the events.

The state Attorney General's Office filed the suit in June after an independent investigation showed Reynolds officials distributed coupons during the National Hot Rod Association Winternationals event at the Pomona Raceway in February 2000. The coupons offered $1 off the purchase of two packs of Winstons.

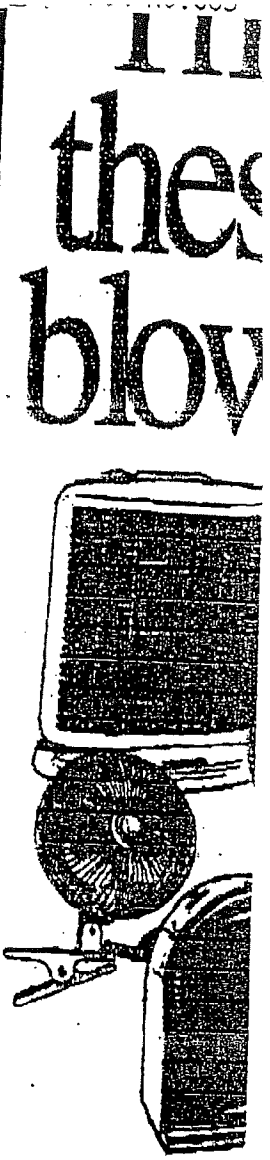
Aragon dismissed the allegations surrounding the event because it involved coupons and not cigarettes, Williams said. However, an investigation led to the state learning of the cigarette giveaways at the Pomona Raceway during the previous NHRA Winternationals in February 1999, Williams said.

Cigarettes also were illegally given away in 1999 at the Del Mar Mile Motorcycle Championship, the Blessing of Cars at Verdugo Park in Glendale, the Sunset Junction Festival in Hollywood, the Long Beach Jazz Festival and the San Jose International Beer Festival, court records show.

About 14,835 people were collectively given 108,143 packs of Camels or Winstons at the six events, court records show.

No other similar lawsuits have been filed since the Pomona case, Williams said.

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Recorder Used in Priest Probe

■Investigation: Man who says he was molested as a boy wears a wire when he confronts cleric.

By WILLIAM LOBDELL, RICHARD WINTON and BETH SHUSTER, TIMES STAFF WRITERS

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An alleged victim of priestly sexual abuse said Wednesday he wore a hidden recording device to confront the cleric in an effort to help prosecutors and detectives develop evidence against the priest.

The move was intended to overcome statute-of-limitations problems that could compromise prosecution in some cases of priest abuse, a law enforcement source said. It demonstrated the difficulty authorities face in cases in which the alleged crime is often a decade or more old.

Jeff Griswold, 31, who asked that The Times publish his name, said he made his story public because he is frustrated by state statute-of-limitation laws and the possibility that his complaint against an Azusa priest won't be prosecuted. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department said Wednesday that Griswold's allegation against Father David Granadino, who until recently worked at St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church, is one of 18 investigations of 16 Catholic priests involving about 50 victims. It was the first accounting by the Sheriff's Department. The Los Angeles Police Department has said it is investigating 50 allegations of priestly abuse.

Sgt. Dan Scott of the department's Family Crimes Bureau said some of the cases stem from years-old allegations and that some could fall victim to statute-of-limitations laws.

Currently, there is a 10-year statute of limitations on cases involving most types of molestation of children 15 and younger. However, prosecutors can pursue these older cases if they have "clear and convincing" contemporary corroborating evidence. Examples include additional victims, a confession, letters or diaries--and evidence of substantial sexual conduct, Scott said.

In Griswold's case, Scott said, no decision has been made about whether to move ahead with criminal charges. However, sheriff's officials were privately upset that an alleged victim had taken his case to the media before they completed the investigation.

Griswold, a Norwalk resident, told sheriff's investigators in December that he had been sexually abused by the priest beginning when he was 13 and continuing into his early

20s. Detectives also are investigating allegations by two others against Granadino that allegedly occurred beginning more than 15 years ago.

The Sheriff's Department opened a second investigation into sexual abuse accusations against Granadino in March, after an alleged victim reported the abuse to the Los Angeles Archdiocese's hotline.

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony has said he moved Granadino from St. Frances of Rome after that anonymous allegation was made. Sheriff's detectives have interviewed about 100 children and adults in that probe.

When the allegations became public, Granadino was transferred to a retreat at an abbey south of Palmdale. Detectives say they have not interviewed the priest, and they say his attorney has told them he has "relocated" from the abbey to an undisclosed location.

Sheriff's officials said they were unsure when the archdiocese was notified about the December allegations.

Asked whether the archdiocese was cooperating with the Sheriff's Department, Scott said he had "no comment."

Granadino, who is also a Sheriff's Department chaplain, has "forcefully denied any misconduct," according to an exchange of e-mails by top archdiocese officials. His attorney, Don Steier, said, "Father Granadino is upset, but more upset for what is going on in his parish than for himself."

Scott would not confirm the contents of the recording Griswold made but added, "We aren't going to deny what the victim said about helping us."

Griswold, who conducted media interviews in the Irvine office of attorney Katherine K. Freberg, said he wore a small tape recorder--disguised as a pager--while meeting with Granadino in the rectory of St. Frances of Rome.

Griswold said he began the short conversation with the priest by saying, "I'm trying to understand some things that happened in the past."

He said he went on to detail some alleged molestations and the priest replied: "It's not your fault."

Griswold said he didn't remember the priest apologizing, but recalled the priest saying more than once, "It's not your fault. It's my fault."

He said he made contact with the police Dec. 10, before a national sex abuse scandal erupted in Catholic parishes across the country. Griswold said he came forward after receiving "a gift from God" that told him to make sure other children would not be molested.

"I finally realized what [Granadino] did was wrong," Griswold said. "It was time. I didn't want any other kids to be hurt."

Griswold said his father died when he was 7, and when he was a young teen, Granadino, then a priest at St. John of God Catholic Church in Norwalk, became like a second father to him. He said the priest took him to dinners, movies and on overnight trips.

Griswold said the relationship continued even after Granadino was transferred to parishes in Pacific Palisades and Azusa.

"He told me, 'You're my godson,'" Griswold said. "He told me that he loved me. My father wasn't around. He definitely filled the father void. I just didn't understand it."

Sheriff's officials and prosecutors would not comment on whether Griswold's case would be harmed by the disclosure of the recording device. Los Angeles County Deputy Dist. Atty. Steve Katz, who works in the sex crimes unit, said prosecutors won't discuss the case until they decide whether to press charges.

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles has forwarded the names of at least eight priests removed from the ministry this spring to police as well as several others reported to its hotline.

On Monday, Mahony and the archdiocese were named in two racketeering lawsuits filed by four men who allege that they were molested as boys by the Rev. Carl Sutphin.

They allege church officials promised to remove Sutphin from the church in 1991, but instead transferred him to the new downtown cathedral before forcing him to retire recently.

...States acquitted of ... charges. At the trial ... Khalifa admitted that he had known ... Chechnya to Illinois.

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California Priest Is Accused Of 8-Year Sexual Relationship

By ANTHONY DePALMA

A 31-year-old man said yesterday that the Rev. David F. Granadino, who is now pastor of a close-knit parish in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, cultivated a sexual relationship with him when he was a boy and continued it for eight years.

The accusations of the man, Jeffrey L. Griswold of Norwalk, Calif., are being investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Mr. Griswold said that after investigators wired him with a recording device he confronted Father Granadino in February and that the priest admitted the inappropriate relationship.

Several priests have been removed in recent months by Cardinal Roger M. Mahony, the leader of the diocese. On Monday, Cardinal Mahony was named in a racketeering suit contending that children in the archdiocese continued to be molested because he transferred abusive priests from parish to parish.

In the latest accusations, Mr. Griswold said that starting in the mid-1980's when he was a 13-year-old altar boy at St. John of God parish in Norwalk, Father Granadino regularly visited his house, at times on the pretense of hearing his confession.

Mr. Griswold said that after hearing the confession, the priest would take off some of the boy's clothing and spank, kiss or massage him.

Mr. Griswold's father had died years before, he said, and his mother suspected nothing.

"This continued for a number of years," Mr. Griswold said in a telephone interview from the office of his lawyer, Katherine K. Freberg of Irvine, Calif. "It felt awkward at the time, but I did not understand it as a molestation. Definitely, I had love for him and he had love for me."

Mr. Griswold said that in 1991, when he was 21, Father Granadino ended the abuse.

Last December Mr. Griswold notified the police, and a few months later went to see Father Granadino. In a conversation that was recorded, Mr. Griswold said the priest acknowledged abusing him.

Mr. Griswold said he had decided to speak out because it might not be possible to bring charges against the priest. Ms. Freberg said California law might not allow a civil complaint to be filed because so much time had passed. The state's statute of limitations allows exceptions, she said, but only if the abuse involves certain sexual acts.

Ms. Freberg has represented several men who say they were sexually abused by priests in the Los Angeles Diocese, including Ryan DiMaria, who last December won an award of $5.2 million against the diocese.

Don Steier, Father Granadino's lawyer, declined to comment on Mr. Griswold's accusations.

"In as much as we don't really have many facts confirmed at this time," Mr. Steier said, "I think we should just defer comment and let the investigators do their investigation."

In a separate case, detectives have questioned about 100 teenagers and their parents in Azusa, Calif., where Father Granadino is pastor of St. Frances of Rome parish. He has been accused of touching several children in an inappropriate way, including massaging their shoulders.

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles gave Father Granadino a leave of absence from the parish in March. He remains in Southern California, Mr. Steier said. Mr. Steier, however, left SoCal today

Parishioners in Azusa have steadfastly supported Father Granadino despite the accusations against him. Several got into a fray with protesters from outside the parish who came to St. Frances of Rome last month to demonstrate against the priest.

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...mbers of El Sembrador, a lay evangelical Catholic ministry, packed the Los Angeles convention center last week for a prayer meeting.

Hispanics Still Backing Catholic Leaders, for Now

By ANTHONY DePALMA

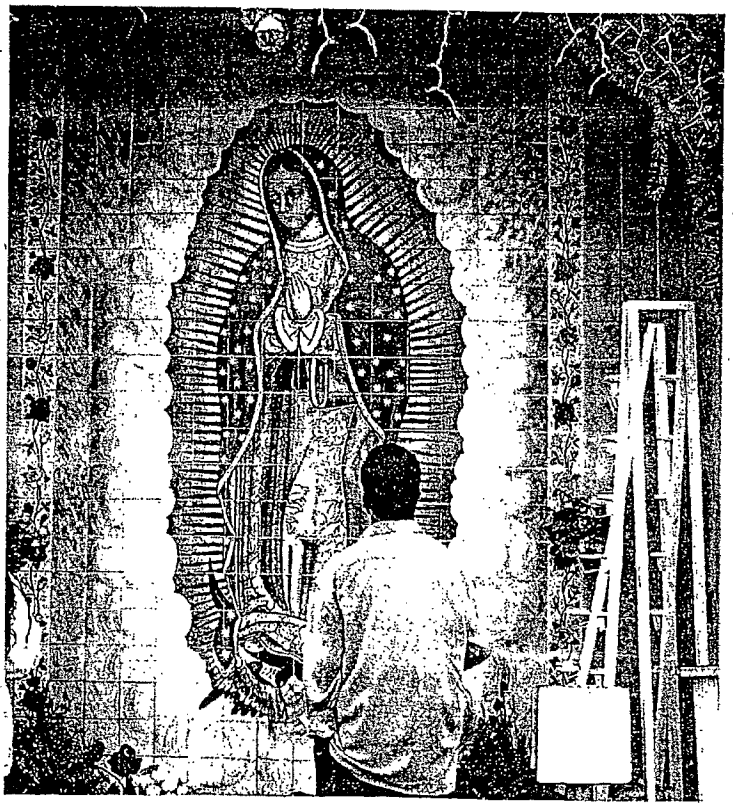
AZUSA, Calif., April 29 — The ladies of the Guadalupe Society of St. Frances of Rome church had finished serving tamales and tripe soup at their communion breakfast last Sunday when they heard the protesters arrive.

A small group had gathered outside the church because its pastor had recently been accused of sexually abusing children. The protesters, who said they were victims of priests in other parishes, wanted to encourage St. Frances's parishioners to speak out against abusive priests.

But instead of reflecting their rage, Gloria Calderone and other Mexican-American women of the Guadalupe Society formed a chain to prevent the protesters from getting near the church, set in the heart of this largely Mexican-American city 20 miles east of Los Angeles. Other parishioners joined the fray and one tried to grab a placard from a protester, striking him on the chest. The p... sters called the police and p... ed charges.

The ladies of the Guadalupe Society are sorry that it came to that, but they are not sorry they took action.

"The way we were brought up as Mexicans, as Catholics, we could



professor of theology at the University of Notre Dame who has studied Hispanic Catholics. "Some of them say that the church is the one place in this country where they finally feel at home."

Devotion is ingrained in the traditions of their home countries, where the relative absence of competing faiths has helped create an almost universal acceptance of Catholicism. Widespread corruption among government officials and police officers has only reinforced respect and admiration for priests and the church.

Those attitudes help explain why parishioners at St. Frances of Rome have supported their priest, the Rev. David F. Granadino. Father Granadino, who was born in East Los Angeles, is being investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department because of accusations that he touched children inappropriately. He took ...pp... leave of absence from the pari... March. No formal charges have been brought against him.

Dan Scott, the detective who is supervising the investigation, said three adults from another parish have said they were molested by Father Granadino in the mid-1980's.

Still, parishioners are standing by their pastor. Edward Contreras,

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never disgrace the church the way those people did," said Ms. Calderone, secretary of the society, which is dedicated to the Virgin of Guadalupe, patron saint of Mexico.

If there is one group whose loyalty the Roman Catholic Church in the United States is counting on as it tries to repair the damage caused by revelations of sexual abuse by priests, it is the 21 million Hispanic-American Catholics who make up more than 30 percent of all Catholics in the nation. Driven by high birth rates and continued immigration, Hispanics are responsible for 71 percent of the church's growth over the last 40 years.

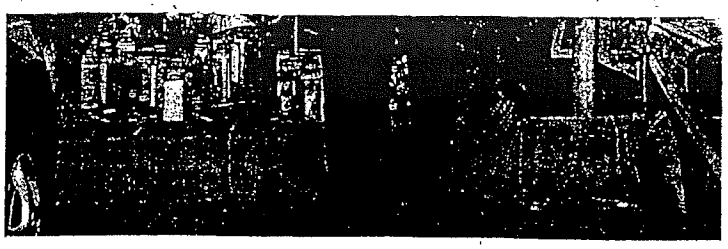
So far, that loyalty has remained steadfast. While other Catholics have criticized the church, calling for the resignation of high officials and withholding donations, many Hispanics have offered unwavering support. Recent immigrants from Latin America are particularly loyal, respectful of the church not just because of its dominance in their home countries, but also because of the support it offers newcomers to the United States.

But while allegiance among Hispanics is strong now, there are worrisome signals for the future. As immigrants become more established, they begin to slip the church's bonds. Less formal churches with lay ministers have siphoned off hundreds of thousands of Catholics in the United States, many of them Hispanic.

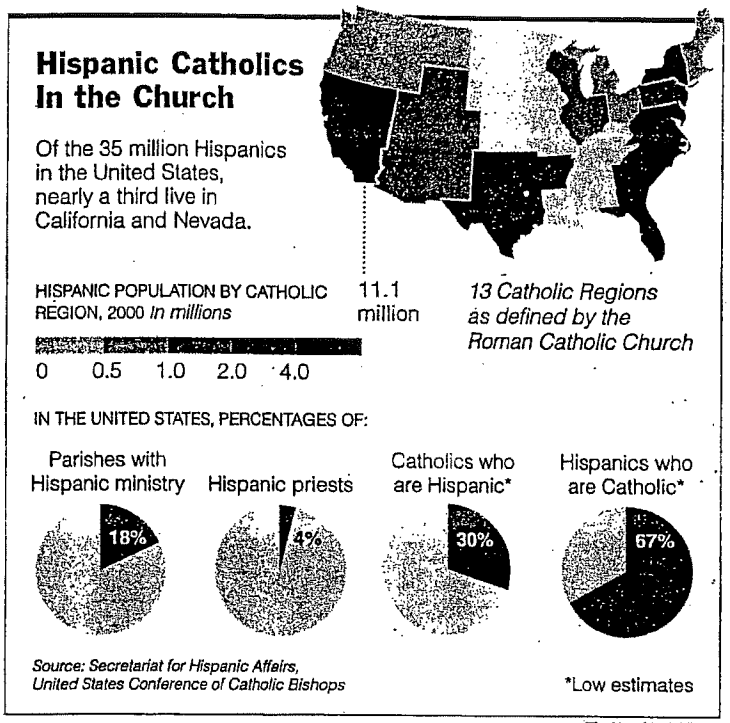
Still, Catholic leaders are counting on most Hispanics to remain faithful. While the confrontation in Azusa was more dramatic than most, the support shown there is fairly common in Hispanic parishes, especially here in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, which has 4.6 million Hispanics, far more than any other American diocese.

A week before the scuffle, some 3,000 Hispanic Catholics marched through downtown Los Angeles in a show of support for the church.

"As a Catholic seeing what was going on in the media I was disturbed," said Noel Diaz, who organized the march.



Moises Soriano praying in front of a mural of the Virgin of Guadalupe, patron saint of Mexico, painted on a wall near a Los Angeles market.



Mr. Diaz represents an important movement in the diocese, the lay evangelical Catholic ministry called El Sembrador, The Sower, which he founded 18 years ago.

"I thought, who's coming out to support those good priests who have left behind everything to serve the people," Mr. Diaz said in an interview at the Los Angeles convention center where he was about to preach to approximately 1,000 Hispanic Catholics.

Mr. Diaz is organizing another march for June.

Although they do not condone the actions of abusive priests or the church leaders who tried to hide what they did, Hispanic Catholics seem to have a greater tolerance of scandal than other Catholics.

"Hispanics accept the fact that something is going on now in their church and they are concerned about what the Holy Father is saying in Rome, but their reality is very local," said Ronaldo Cruz, director of the secretariat for Hispanic affairs in the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. "Hispanics understand the frailty of men."

Hispanics, especially recent immigrants, tend to see the church as a refuge in a harsh new landscape of rules and laws.

"When they come to this country, very few things work for them, especially if they don't have legal status," said Timothy Matovina, an associate

whose 16-year-old son, Eddie, been an altar boy at St. Franc thinks the investigators are ov reacting. He said one accusati against the priest involved his m saging the shoulders of a boy v had just returned from a group t to an amusement park.

"I know what happened becaus was there," Mr. Contreras sa "The boy told Father David he h himself on one of the rides. Fathe always touching shoulders like th That's his way."

But the loyalty that has streng ens bonds with the church in troub times may also cause blind spots.

"They refuse to blame th priests for anything," said Jim Fa a member of the Southern Californ chapter of the Survivors Network Those Abused by Priests. He was t protester hit by the parishioner at Frances last week.

Mr. Falls, who said he was abus by a priest when he was a teenag said the attitude at St. Frances w typical of Hispanic Catholics he h dealt with. When a priest speaks Hispanics, he said, "whatever says might as well be coming out the lips of Jesus Christ."

This is likely to change. Seve factors threaten to loosen the bon between the church and Hispani including the natural assimilation immigrants and a shortage of H panic-American priests.

What is likely to sustain the H panic church is the belief that t institution is bigger than the prie themselves.

"The accusations against our p tor are hurting us very much, but c faith is not based in him," said J Rocha, a Mexican-American paris ioner at St. Frances.

But other Hispanic-America who have drawn such distinctio between clergy and faith ha moved away from the formal chur in growing numbers. As many 600,000 Catholics a year, by one es mate, leave their parishes for Pen costal churches and other religio with lay ministers and simpler rule

Others remain Catholic in nam only and, like Moises Soriano of Ea Los Angeles, create their own for of worship.

On a recent Saturday, Mr. Soria took a dozen roses to an inform shrine of the Virgin of Guadalu that is painted on the wall of a par ing lot near the central Mexic market in Los Angeles. He waved t roses in a sign of the cross, th placed them at the foot of the virgi

"I never trusted priests anyway Mr. Soriano said.

Still, as a baptized Catholic, he sa he could not help but be concerned t all he had heard about what pries had done and how the church r sponded

"It's never going to be the way was before," he said.

And that, he suggested, was prob bly good.

Boston Priest Eases Position on a Boycott

By The New York Times

BOSTON, April 30 — A priest who announced that his church would not participate in two major fund-raising campaigns for the Archdiocese of Boston said today that he did not intend to show a lack of support for archdiocese leaders, including the archbishop, Cardinal Bernard F. [illegible].

The priest, the Rev. Albert L. Capone, pastor of St. Michael Parish in Lowell, wrote in the parish bulletin on Sunday that his church would not take part in either the Cardinal's Appeal or the Promise for Tomorrow campaign this month, citing the need to tend to the "pain, fear, stress and hurt we are all experiencing as a result of this present crisis."

But today, in a statement released through the archdiocese's communications office, Father Capone said his parish was merely postponing its participation in the fund drives. He wrote that he and his staff would devote the time to helping people who said they had been sexually abused by the Rev. Joseph E. Birmingham, who served at St. Michael's in the 1970's.

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A flatbed truck carries away the last beam of the former World Trade Center — draped in an American flag — during ceremonies Thursday to mark the end of cleanup efforts after the Sept. 11 attacks. In the background, construction workers watch from the damaged Winter Garden atrium. Story / B1

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By Michelle Baxter
Staff Writer

A campaign to fight Preside mental policies began Thurs nia Public Interest Research annual scorecard rating Con voting records on the envir Barbara Boxer and Dianne Fe U.S. Representatives Grace Schiff and Hilda Solis, were g the group, whose summer can visits to 650,000 homes in the the scorecards and encoura what group leaders are callin

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Officials order tape destroyed

The video showed St. Frances of Rome Catholic School students sending messages of support to the Rev. David Granadino, who is under investigation for alleged sexual abuse.

By Marianne Love
Staff Writer

AZUSA — Church officials ordered the destruction of a videotape of Catholic elementary schoolchildren offering words of support to a priest under investigation for alleged child sexual abuse.

"We were unaware of the situation," said Carolina Guevara, a spokeswoman for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. "It was not authorized by the Archdiocese and was stopped as soon as we heard about it."

The video, made by a school employee's husband, showed St. Frances of Rome Catholic School students sending messages to the Rev. David Granadino. Granadino is the pastor of St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church in Azusa and overseer of the Azusa school. He was put on leave on March 22.



GRANADINO

Guevara said Archdiocese officials don't keep up with specifics about day-to-day operations in parishes and don't know whose decision it was to videotape the children at the school.

A parent of two children who attend the school was upset to find

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Glendora City Coun Ziegler as new city n

By Marianne Love
Staff Writer

GLENDORA — The City Council has hired Eric Ziegler as city manager.

Glendora officials say the hiring is part of a healing process in this city of 50,000 that just went through recalling three councilmen.

"Morale has come up greatly," Councilman Mike Conway said. "He does manage, but policies clear to establish departments council's goal

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San Gabriel Valley Tribune

Priest suffers setback on bid to seal records

Davis OKs extension for open cases

By Marianne Love
Staff Writer

Saturday, April 05, 2003 - AZUSA – An Azusa priest accused of sexual misconduct involving children suffered a setback last week when Gov. Gray Davis signed legislation giving county prosecutors more time to press charges.

"The governor signed the legislation on cases under investigations that have not been filed,' said Sandi Gibbons, a spokeswoman for the Los Angles County District Attorney's Office. "Now, we're in a dispute with the archdiocese in turning over the records. We have to get the records to complete these cases.'

The case against the Rev. David Granadino, the pastor of St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church in Azusa, remains in limbo as officials from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and the county District Attorney's Office battle in court over whether to hand over the priest's personnel file.

Last week, Granadino's attorney, Donald Steier, argued in Los Angeles Superior Court the nation's largest Roman Catholic archdiocese, with 5 million members, shouldn't hand over the personnel files of priests accused of sex crimes because they confidentiality is protected by the First Amendment.

The judge took the case under submission and is expected to make a ruling in May.

It's been one year since Granadino, 47, was removed from the parish and put on administrative leave. An anonymous phone call set a chain of events into action.

A Norwalk man, Jeff Griswold now in his 30s, has accused Granadino of molesting him when he was a young altar boy at St. John of God Catholic Church in Norwalk.

But Granadino's attorney said the district attorney does not have a prosecutable case.

"But, they still want to look through his file,' Steier said.

Steier said Granadino, who is also a chaplain in the U.S. Air Force, has been frustrated by the year's events and wants to return to his parish.

"And, he would like to be with the troops. By all rights, he'd be in Kuwait,' Steier said. "Instead he's sitting and waiting.'

Granadino has not spoken publicly since he has been accused and would not comment on this article.

"Father Granadino's situation and status remain unchanged he's on administrative leave,' Tod Tamberg, a spokesman for the archdiocese, said. "First, we need a resolution on this investigation before we could comment.'

For some at St. Frances, this past year was lost time in bolstering finances and programs at their church and an adjacent elementary school where Granadino's pet project has fallen by the wayside.

"An endowment fund was his dream. He had it two years,' said church member Diane Chagnon. "His goal was to raise $1 million over the next several years.'

Chagnon did not know how much has been raised so far. She called Granadino charismatic and a role model.

Inez Gutierrez, a native Azusan baptized at St. Frances, said many in the parish have a wait-and-see attitude.

The former trustee with the Azusa Unified School District said there is a lot of support for the pastor.

"We miss him. We'd rather not make any comments or say anything until everything is cleared up,' Gutierrez, 67, said. "We're hoping and praying what needs to be done is done.'

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San Gabriel Valley Tribune

Accused priests could now be free from prosecution
By Michael Gougis
Staff Writer The nation's highest court Thursday struck down the Californa law used to prosecute decades-old sex-abuse cases
effectively freeing dozens of priests and others accused of molesting children or similar crimes from the

Thursday, June 26, 2003 -

The nation's highest court Thursday struck down the Californa law used to prosecute decades-old sex-abuse cases, effectively freeing dozens of priests and others accused of molesting children or similar crimes from the threat of prosecution.

In a 5-4 ruling, the Supreme Court found the law retroactively eliminating the statute of limitations on sex crimes is unconstitutional, a decision that affects 70 of the 74 sex-abuse cases involving clergy now under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

About 200 sexual predator cases now pending in the Los Angeles County will have to be reviewed by prosecutors and those convicted under the statute will be able to seek release from prison.

"Pedophile priests across California are rejoicing today,' said Kathy Freberg, an Orange County attorney representing 112 people suing priests in California.

Added Steven Sanchez of the Glendale chapter of the Survivors Network for Those Abused by Priests: "It's a big step backward for victims today. This means that if you manage to keep the victim quiet long enough, the molester goes free.'

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles issued a statement saying the ruling will not affect the status of abusive priests.

"All priests found to have abused minors have been permanently removed. The court's ruling does not make way for those men to re-enter ministry or to function in any way as priests,' the statement said.

Opponents of the law said it was clearly unconstitutional and made it impossible for people accused of old sex crimes to properly defend themselves.

"Never before in our nation's history has a state attempted to go back in time to resurrect criminal charges that were never reported, investigated or filed in a timely way,' said attorney Larry Guzin, whose firm represents priests. "Everyone knew this was unconstitutional.'

District Attorney Steve Cooley said many cases will be affected by the ruling.

"Obviously, some sexual predators will escape criminal accountability,' Cooley said.

Guzin, who also represents the Rev. David Granadino, said he will petition the grand jury to declare the

allegations against the Azusa pastor have been investigated and there were no findings for an indictment.

"In his case, it was a case of inappropriate touching and the allegation did not amount to a fileable criminal case,' he said. "The case was old, but the district attorney agreed it was not a prosecutable crime involving a nonsexual neck massage of a young man who was represented by a civil lawyer seeking monetary damages.'

He also said it would be up to the archdiocese to decide when his client would be reinstated as pastor St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church in Azusa.

Priests temporarily removed from ministry pending results of an investigation by law enforcement or the archdiocese have to be completed before there's any change in Granadino's status, Tamberg said.

"We don't have a timeline. It won't be a series of weeks, it's likely a longer process and until that process is completed Father Granadino's status remains unchanged,' he added.

Granadino, who also is a chaplain in the United States Air Force, has not spoken publicly since he was accused. He is one of 11 Catholic priests from Los Angeles county under investigation by the District Attorney's Office, spokeswoman Jane Robison said.

It has been more than a year since Granadino, 48, was removed from his pastoral duties and put on administrative leave based on an anonymous phone call.

In May 2002, a Norwalk man went public and accused Granadino of molesting him when he was an altar boy at St. John of God Catholic Church in Norwalk.

But Granadino's attorney said the District Attorney's Office does not have a prosecutable case.

Staff writer Marianne Love contributed to this story.

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November 7, 2003

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Re: David Granadino

Dear REDACTED

Please be advised that your client David Granadino has been the subject of a criminal investigation conducted by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Los Angeles County Grand Jury. The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office Sex Crimes Division has reviewed the evidence available and has determined that there is insufficient evidence to charge your client with any crime, felony or misdemeanor.

Very truly yours,

STEVE COOLEY
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AFFIDAVIT: A STATEMENT OF FACT

23 July 2003

I REDACTED a retired deputy sheriff of the County of Los Angeles in California, do hereby affirm that the anonymous call made to the Archdiocesan Sexual Abuse Hotline on the 22 March 2002 accusing the Reverend David F. Granadino of child sexual abuse was made by the wife of one of the investigators REDACREDACTED REDACTED is the wife of Investigator REDACTED REDACTED who led the investigation against Reverend GranadinoREDACTED wanted to help her husband find evidence of sexual misconduct in the present time to collaborate allegations made against Reverend Granadino. She also publicly expressed frustration on a talk radio show in Los Angeles, KFI-AM, that her husband couldn't find any evidence of sexual misconduct against Reverend Granadino. By 19 April 2002, Investigator REDACTED was taken off the investigation by the District Attorney's office of the County of Los Angeles because of his wife's interference. I know this to be true from my sources directly involved in the investigation. This was reported to REDACTED a civil criminal lawyer representing Father Granadino. REDACTED later affirmed this fact directly from the office of the District Attorney.

Signed on his 23rd day of July 2003 AD in Los Angeles, California, USA:

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Dear REDACTED

As you are aware, I am an attorney representing Father David Granadino. I am licensed to practice law in California and previously have served in the office of the District Attorney of Los Angeles County.

At some point in the investigation of Father Granadino we became aware that an anonymous phone call was made to the Archdiocese sexual abuse hot-line. That call alleged that Father David was currently abusing altar-servers at his parish. Based upon that information the Los Angeles County Sheriff dispatched approximately 30 deputies to conduct interviews of approximately 100 current and former altar-servers. The interviews revealed no corroboration of the allegations of abuse. Further inquiry established that the individual making the call was the wife of one of the detectives assigned to the Granadino investigation. William Hodgman, Supervising Deputy District Attorney for the Sexual Abuse Unit, was informed of the identity of the anonymous caller. Subsequently, he told me that he checked into our information and found it to be credible.

Dated: July 17, 2003 REDACTED

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Rev. Fr. David F. Granadino
SAINT FRANCES OF ROME CHURCH
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STATEMENT OF FACTS CONCERNING ONE ACCUSATION OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT MADE ON MARCH 24, 2002

18 October 2004

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STATEMENT OF DAVID F. GRANADINO

Name: David F. Granadino
Date of Birth: 4 October 1955
Place of Birth: Los Angeles, California
Date of Ordination to the Priesthood: 6 June 1981 (for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles)
Date of Commission as an Officer of the United States Air Force: 24 April 1987

I am David F. Granadino. On March 24, 2002, Monsignor Craig Cox and Monsignor Richard Loomis called me to meet them at the offices of REDACTED Clergy for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. They told me that an anonymous caller has accused me of molesting altar boys at my present parish assignment of Saint Frances of Rome Church in Azusa, California. Since the Sheriff's Department informed them that they would send investigators to talk to all the altar boys of the parish, Monsignors Cox and Loomis told me that they wanted me to leave the parish and go to Saint Andrew's Benedictine Abbey in Valyermo, California, until the investigation was over. On April 4, 2002, I was asked by Monsignor Loomis, through my ordination classmate, REDACTED , to get in touch with REDACTED because I needed a lawyer. At the time, I understood that the Archdiocese would pay all legal fees. I never received any letter or any document saying that I was on administrative leave. I continued to receive my pastor's stipend. In June 2002, the pastor's stipend came from the finance office of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

REDACTED told me in April 2002 that REDACTED was making an accusation of sexual misconduct against me and that he claims that the sexual molestations happened over a period of time from 1985 through 1994. Then later, the dates were changed by REDACTED from 1982 through 1994. The media would later publicize that REDACTED was making these accusations.

Monsignor Cox nor Monsignor Loomis would ever tell me the nature of the accusations. I only know of the accusations through the media. I hereby deny that the accusations are true or have merit. I do not understand why REDACTED REDACTED would make such accusations. So, I will answer what the media has reported as accusations.

I have known REDACTED since 1982. I met him during my first priesthood assignment at Saint John of God Church in Norwalk, California (the Archdiocese of Los Angeles). His mother REDACTED told me that REDACTED REDACTED (born in November 1970) had lost his father tragically in an accident at home. She told me that REDACTED was traumatized by his father's death. She invited me to help REDACTED I talked to him and in time developed a kind of big brother relationship. Later, he would describe our relationship as a godfather – godson relationship. I would visit the REDACTED home and have meals with them. REDACTED has an older brother named REDACTED He has a younger brother named REDACTED

I was never alone in the house with REDACTED though I was alone with him in his room at times talking about things that mattered to him such as the fights he had at school or just thinking about his father. I would give him hugs. Sometimes, I would massage his shoulders in a playful way. There was no sexual "acting out" on my side. He never stayed overnight at any rectory that I was assigned to.

In high school, he struggled with his studies and struggled with his expressions of anger. He would be suspended from school for fighting. On one occasion, he REDACTED REDACTED He never explained the circumstances of this arrest to me other than he was arrested for something "stupid." He then began REDACTED and we talked about that. Sadly, he continued to REDACTED According to the media, he is now REDACTED meetings. He barely graduated from high school in June 1988.

In the media, REDACTED has accused me of sexually molesting him. I have never molested him nor touched his genitals. He accused me of pulling down his pants and underwear, spanking him on his naked buttocks. I have never done that. REDACTED said that I did this to him on several occasions between 1982 and 1994. I do not know why he is saying this.

I admit that I was expressive in my care and concern for him. I hugged him, even kissed him on the head. I have never sexually touched him or spanked him.

There are no other accusations that I know of even though the media reported the Sheriff investigators as saying that there are at least "three or five others" making accusations. This was later to be found untrue. The anonymous call to the Archdiocese came from the wife of one of the sheriff investigator who wanted to help her husband, REDACTED in "getting this priest." [Documentation of this misconduct on the part of the investigators is included in this package.]

This is my statement. I do not know what the Archdiocese has in regards to "evidence." I know that I have not done anything sexual or immoral. I should be returned to my parish and ministry immediately. I have not been named as a ~~defendant in~~ any lawsuit against the Archdiocese of Los Angeles or against myself.

I hereby present this statement to you, Mr. REDACTED. I hope you can help me. I am intensely sad and frustrated. The documents in this package give an overview about the intensity of the media attention and the misconduct of the sheriff investigators. I also feel that the Archdiocese of Los Angeles has unjustly treated me by not communicating to me and not even telling me officially by letter or even by phone that I was placed on administrative leave. After all investigations have been completed, I am still in exile and nothing has happened. The District Attorney's office could have arrested me anytime if they had evidence of wrong-doing on my part. Remember, before the Supreme Court decision to overturn the law that lifted the statute of limitations, the District Attorney could have done something since they had a full year (December 2001 when REDACTED made the original accusation to law enforcement to December 2002) to place indictments before a court of law before the Supreme Court made their decision in June 2003. There would be no indictments. I have not done anything wrong. My mistake was maybe being too expressive in my care and concern for REDACTED.

With God as my witness, and with a clear conscience, I place this statement before you.

David F. Granadino
18 October 2004
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July 10, 2004

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Dear Ms. REDACTED

Cardinal Roger Mahony has asked that I respond to your letter mailed on May 22, 2004. Thank you for writing in support of Father David Granadino.

The extremely long delays are very frustrating indeed, and I am glad you are praying for Father Granadino.

It is not accurate to say that Father Granadino has been "cleared," although it is our understanding that the Sheriff's formal investigation has been closed because the Supreme Court's decision on statutes of limitations precluded law enforcement from formally charging Father Granadino. In order to "clear" him appropriately, we have sought authorization from the Vatican to conduct a formal ecclesiastical process within which all of the evidence can be presented and assessed and a formal ruling issued. We sent that request to the Vatican some time ago, and I am hoping they will give us the requested authorization soon.

Please continue to pray for Father Granadino, for your parish community, and for the great virtue of patience to be showered on us at this time.

Thank you again for writing. May God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
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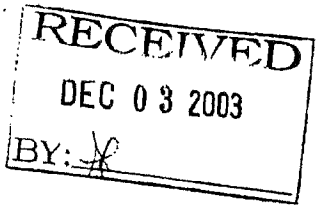
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December 1, 2003

Reverend David Granadino
REDACTED



Dear Father Granadino:

Thank you for your letter of 13 November 2003. I am grateful for the copy of the letter from the District Attorney's office verifying that the criminal investigation they had initiated against you has been closed and that no criminal charges will be filed against you.

The essential contents of this letter, however, already were included in the Cardinal's communication with the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. The Cardinal would not even have written to the Congregation to initiate the canonical process had the criminal investigation involving you still been pending. The allegations raised against you must now be adjudicated canonically. There is no way to waive that obligation, and the finding of the District Attorney carries no canonical authority. The jurisdiction of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in this matter binds the Cardinal and he has reported that matter to the Congregation as he is required to do so. We await the direction of the Congregation. As I have promised before, I will inform you promptly once we receive a communication from the Congregation.

With regard to the question of any restoration to ministry at this time, you continue to be on leave without faculties and with the directive that you engage in no public ministry. The closing of the criminal investigation by the civil authorities has not eliminated the circumstances that necessitated placing you on leave. You have clearly asserted your innocence. But there is a similarly forceful assertion of a serious charge against you. The proper way to resolve clash of claims is in an ecclesiastical trial.

With regard to the question of renewing your endorsement with the Archdiocese of Military Services, the Cardinal is unable to do so. He would be required to inform the Military Archdiocese that there is a report to the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith and a canonical process pending to adjudicate the charges raised against you. The Archdiocese for Military Services also is bound by the Essential Norms for dioceses of the United States, and by the provisions of the Apostolic Constitution *Sacramentorum Sanctitatis tutela*. The Military Archdiocese, therefore, could not assign you. It may well be that, in accord with the military regulations you mentioned, this means you will lose the future possibility of service as a military chaplain. I fully appreciate that is a significant loss. By incardination, however, your service is

dedicated to the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, not to the Archdiocese for Military Services. I simply do not know if there can be a definitive resolution of your case in time to preserve your ability to serve as a military chaplain. I can assure you that the Cardinal will keep in mind the importance of the April 2004 deadline.

With regard to the request for forgiveness of the loan you have taken and reimbursement for payments made on those loans, I will bring your request to REDACTED who handles those matters.

Let me conclude by acknowledging the "ordeal" you mentioned in the conclusion of your letter. I can only imagine how difficult it has been for you to be charged with such serious crimes. I wish it were within our power to resolve all such matters instantly. God does not give us that ability. I am well aware that your "ordeal" is not over. I pray that God's Spirit will give you the patience and strength you need. May God bless you.

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy

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December 1, 2003

Reverend David Granadino
Saint Frances of Rome Church
P.O. Box 637
Azusa, CA 91702

Dear David:

I have received your letter of November 13, 2003, together with a copy of your letter to Monsignor Craig Cox, our Vicar for the Clergy.

Because your various requests do involve procedures guided by the Church's Code of Canon Law, I have asked Monsignor Cox to prepare a full response to your letter.

Assuring you of my continuing prayers, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

+ Roger Card. Mahony

His Eminence
Cardinal Roger Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

cc: Reverend Monsignor Craig Cox

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November 22, 2004

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Reverend David Granadino
c/o St. Frances of Rome Parish
P.O. Box 637
Azusa, CA 91702

Dear Father Granadino:

Please know that you continue to be in my prayers. I can only dimly imagine how difficult it is to be accused and to be in a state of uncertainty for such a long time.

As you know, in accord with the requirements of *Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela*, last year Cardinal Roger Mahony wrote to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith about the allegation lodged against you. Up to now, the Congregation has not issued any ruling or instruction in response to that report.

Please know that Cardinal Mahony has recently followed up that earlier report and has again written to the Congregation on November 16, 2004.

It would be helpful if you would please send me your current residence address and a telephone where you may be reached. The Congregation has asked for direct contact information on all of our accused priests, and so I would forward that to the Vatican.

I will inform you when we hear back from the Congregation.

May God bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy

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TO RECONCILE GOD'S PEOPLE

OFFICE OF THE CARDINAL

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January 6, 1999

Dear David,

Just a brief note from our Bishops' Retreat to thank you for the zeal and commitment you bring to your service of our people. We are so blessed with terrific priests, and I surely count you among our best!

I value your pastoral leadership there at St. Frances of Rome - your second term in that fine city. I know that the people appreciate your caring concern for all of them.

Today I offered Mass for you at your priestly ministry, and I invite you to join me in praying for, and encouraging, all our brother priests. We really need to support each other as never before.

Also, let's intensify our prayers + outreach for priestly vocations - so critical for our future!

Assuring you of my prayers + support, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

+ Roger

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MANDATE

Pursuant to Canons 1481 and 1723 of the Code of Canon Law. I. FATHER DAVID F. GRANADINO, hereby appoin REDACTED to act as my canonical advisor, counselor, Advocate and Procurator in all matters pertaining to my current clerical position in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and to any investigation, process or other action of any kind involving allegations of sexual abuse brought against me.

I also hereby specifically revoke any other Mandate which I have previously given to any other person to represent me in these matters.

Dated: September 29, 2004

Father David F. Granadino

I hereby accept the appointment set forth in the above Mandate of Father David F. Granadino.

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CONGREGATIO
PRO DOCTRINA FIDEI

00120 Città del Vaticano,
Palazzo del S. Uffizio

1 March 2005

PROT. N. 341/03 - 20009
(In responsione fax mentio huius numeri)

Your Eminence,

With your letter of June 16 November 2004, and their attached documentation, you referred to this Congregation the case of **Rev. David F. GRANADINO**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, accused of the sexual abuse of minors.

After examining the above-mentioned documentation, this Dicastery has decided to grant *ad cautelam* the derogation from the terms of prescription for criminal action concerning the crime of sexual abuse of a minor, and also to ask Your Eminence to initiate as soon as possible a penal process with regard to the case of Rev. Granadino.

This Congregation leaves it up to Your Eminence to decide the adequate precautionary measures to be imposed on Rev. Granadino, as outlined in can.1722 *CIC* and art. 15 of the *Normae de gravioribus delictis*.

With fraternal regard and prayerful best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Joseph Card. Ratzinger

- Enclosure -

His Eminence
Roger M. Cardinal MAHONY
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March 23, 2005

Personal and Confidential

Reverend David Granadino
2214 Wilma Avenue
Commerce, CA 90040

Dear Father Granadino:

I write on Wednesday of Holy Week. Please know that you continue to be in my prayers during these difficult times.

The Cardinal has now received a response from Cardinal Ratzinger at the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. The Congregation has authorized an ecclesiastical trial of the allegations of sexual misconduct that have been lodged against you. I know that you have waited for what I am sure you have experienced as an interminable time. This authorization now allows us to move toward a canonical resolution.

The ecclesiastical trial will be held in accord with the norms of canon law and the provisions of *Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela*. To assure a fair and impartial trial, the Cardinal is contacting the authorities at the United States Catholic Conference to seek a panel of ecclesiastical judges from outside of the ecclesiastical province of Los Angeles.

Once the judges are named, the matter will be entrusted to them. They then assume the responsibility for the conduct of the trial. One of those judges, or an auditor appointed by them, will be in touch with you and your advocate to make arrangements for your own testimony as well as to secure from you the names and contact information of other witnesses you may propose as part of your defense.

May God bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy

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cc:

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DECREE

The Case of the Reverend David F. Granadino, accused of *graviora delicta*

Initiation of Judicial Penal Process and Appointment of Promoter of Justice

Having been directed by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith to initiate a penal process in the above-named Case, and acting in accordance with the prescriptions of canon 1721 §1, I hereby decree that such a judicial penal process is to begin.

I further appoint the REDACTED to serve as Promoter of Justice in said matter, discharging faithfully and according to the norms of law every duty that shall fall to him in the course of the aforementioned proceedings.

To this end, the acts of the preliminary investigation concerning the above-named Case are to be handed over to REDACTED so that, in accordance with the norms of canons 1502 and 1504, he may prepare the *libellus* of accusation and duly present it to the Court, as prescribed in canon 1721 §1.

Given at the Curia of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles on 2 August 2005.

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+ Roger Cardinal Mahony

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

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DECREE

The Case of the Reverend David F. Granadino,
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Appointment of Judges

Having been directed by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith to initiate a penal process in the above-named Case, and acting in accordance with the prescriptions of canon 1425 §1, 2° and §3, I hereby appoint the following to adjudicate said matter:

REDACTED

These aforenamed Judges are charged to make a final determination as regards the competence of the Metropolitan Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles to try this Case and, if competence is established, to decide the questions at issue according to the norms of law.

Given at the Curia of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles on 5 December 2005.

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✠ Roger Cardinal Mahony

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

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CMOB #	61
Considered by CMOB	☑
Inactive Date	6/21/2010
Case Name	David Granadino
Active Case?	☐

Priest Name	Granadino, David F.
DOB	10/4/1955
Ethnicity	English
Diocese	Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Canon State	Diocesan Priest
Religious Order	
Incardination	
Date Of Ordination	
Clergy Status	Administrative Leave

Clergy (Faculties)	
Religious	☐
Diocesan	☐
Description	

Deacon	
DOB	
Diocese	
Ethnicity	
Ordination	
Status	

Date Referred to Vicar	10/8/2003
Date Of Alleged Incident	1980
Alleged Victim	Minor Male
Multiple Victims	☐
Accusers	
Investigation Complete	☐
Investigator Name	
Removed From Ministry	☐
Date Removed From Ministry	
Date Returned To Ministry	
Case Disposition	
DispositionComments	
Intervention	☐
Description	Father has been on administrative leave from his position as Pastor for more than one year. A young man alleges abuse when he was a teenager in the mid-1980's which included fondling, touching and kissing inappropriately. The young man went directly to the police and has retained counsel. The Sheriff's Dept. interviewed apprx. 70 current altar boys & wired the alleged victim with a recording device to confront Father in 2/02; the tape was vague and not used by authorities. Also, a man has come forward confirming a past adult relationship. The Sheriff's Dept. states there are other allegations of misconduct.

Case Status

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November 10, 2004	A report was sent to Rome with additional information requesting authorization for a trial
March 23, 2005	Rome has approved a canonical trial. Msgr. Cox will advise Fr. Granadino & send a letter to the National Conference of Bishops requesting the appointment of judges.
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June 14, 2006	Panel for canonical trial has been appointed and a trial is expected to begin in the next few months. Another victim has come forward and has been interviewed by REDACTED There is still another "John Doe" victim.
November 14, 2007	Cardinal has declared his term as pastor officially concluded
August 27, 2008	An alleged victom of abuse by another priest (CMOB 156) claims that when he was a child, Granadino would pull his pants down and administer "birthday spankings. He claims this continued until his 17th birthday REDACTED stated that the canonical trial of Granadino is in process and that he will advise the judge of these new allegations.
June 21, 2010	The case has gone to trial in Rome, now awaiting canonical resolution. File made Inactive pending decision (can be reopened if further CMOB action is needed).

Follow Up	Awaiting canonical resolution.	
Follow Up Date		
Legal Proceedings		
Legal Proceedings?	☐	
Court Cases Settled		
Response		
Response Date		
Sent To Rome?	☑	***Date Sent To Rome***
Canonical Trial	☐	***Canonical Trial Date***
Canonical Disposition		
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ID	11
CMOB #	011
Case Name	David Granadino
Active Case?	☑
Cleric Name	Granadino, David
Cleric Age	
Cleric Ethnicity	
Incardination	
Date Of Ordination	
Clergy Status	On Leave
Date Referred To Vicar	10/8/2003
Claimant	Minor Male
Date Of Alleged Incident	1980
Investigation Complete	☐
Investigator Name	
Date Investigation Initiated	
Date Investigation Completed	
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Follow Up	Status of Canonical Trial	
Follow Up Date	June 2006	
Legal Proceedings		
Sent To Rome?	☑	***Date Sent To Rome***
Canonical Trial	☐	***Canonical Trial Date***
Canonical Disposition		
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Vicar for Clergy **Database**
Clergy Assignment Record

Rev David F. Granadino
REDACTED

Current Primary Assignment

Age 53
Deanery 22

Birth Date	10/4/1955
Birth City	Los Angeles, California, USA
Diaconate Ordination	
Priesthood Ordination	6/6/1981
Diocese Name	Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Date of Incardination	6/6/1981
Religious Community	
Rite Description	Latin
Ministry Status	Administrative Leave
Seminary	St. John's Seminary, Camarillo
Ethnicity	English

Fingerprint Verification and Safeguard Training

Date Background Check	
Safeguard Training	

Assignment History

Assignment	*Beginning Date*	*Completion Date*
Administrative Leave, Term as pastor declared ended on 11/16/2007.	3/24/2002	
Chaplain, Military, Active Service, Ordered into Active Duty from 11/26/01 through [illegible]/0	3/17/2000	2/2/2002
St. Francis [illegible] Roman Catholic Church, Azusa Pastor, Active Service, Term as pastor [illegible] ended on 11/16/2007.	7/1/1998	6/30/2004
Our Lady [illegible] Catholic Church, North Hills Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), [illegible]	7/1/1995	6/30/1998
St. Gertrude [illegible] Catholic Church, Los Angeles Associate Pastor (Parochial [illegible], Active Service	9/5/1992	6/30/1995
Corpus [illegible] Catholic Church, Pacific Palisades Associate Pastor (Parochial [illegible] Active Service	7/2/1990	9/4/1992
St. Francis [illegible] Catholic Church, Azusa Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), [illegible]	7/9/1985	7/1/1990

St. John of [illegible] Catholic Church, Norwalk Associate Pastor (Parochial Vicar), Ad[illegible] Ser[illegible]	7/15/1981	7/8/1985

ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
NON-MANDATORY

Date of this report to Public Authority:	
Name of Public Authority:	
Date of this Report to Archdiocese:	8/4/2008
Reported to Archdiocese by:	Victim
Alleged Victim:	REDACTED
Current Address:	
Telephone:	
Date of Birth:	REDACTED 1968
Alleged Perpetrator:	Fr. David Granadino & REDACTED
Reported Date of Incident: (s)	Beginning approximately 1980 or 1981 continuing for at least four years
Reported Circumstances of Incident(s):	REDACTED reports that Fr. David would hug him in an aggressive manner and tell him that he loved him. On every birthday for four years, Fr. David would take REDACTED into his bedroom, wrestle with him and then tell him to pull down his pants so he could give him his birthday swats on his naked bottom. These were done in a very slow and purposeful manner.
Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect:	Sexual
Comments:	REDACTED also reports that REDACTED REDACTED

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Submitted by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles:

REDACTED

CMOB-011-01: [David Granadino] - This matter has received a great deal of publicity, and Fr. Granadino has been on administrative leave from his position as Pastor in a parish in Azusa for more than one year. A young man alleges abuse when he was a teenager in the mid-1980's which included fondling, touching and kissing inappropriately. The young man went directly to the police and has retained counsel. The Sheriff's Department interviewed approximately 70 current altar boys and wired the alleged victim with a recording device to confront Fr. Granadino in February of 2002, but the tape was vague and not used by the authorities. This matter is beyond the statue of limitations. In addition, a man has come forward to the Archdiocese confirming a past adult relationship with Fr. Granadino. The Sheriff's Department states there are two other allegations of misconduct.

The Cardinal has written to Rome to ask for a full canonical trial to either exonerate Fr. Granadino or dismiss him. REDACTED has been asked to investigate and conduct interviews in preparation for the tribunal.

MEMORANDUM

TO: REDACTED
FROM: Monsignor Craig A. Cox
RE: Identification Related to SAAB
DATE: 18 March 2003

In the course of reviewing the file of Father David Granadino, I came across a memorandum summarizing the discussion of SAAB regarding this priest at its meeting of January 20, 1995. Previously, I had not been able to identify two of the three cases discussed at that January 20, 1995 meeting. Now it is clear that the case, "Indecisive Evaluation" which I had given the transitional protocol number of 1995/01, refers to Fr. Granadino.

I believe that you and REDACTED have done some cross referencing of the cases e have been discussing with the old SAAB cases, so I wanted to inform you of this.

I also have a binder that has copies of most of the agenda and other materials related to th eold SAAB. I can continue to maintain this, but perhaps you would prefer that I entrust it to you to be kept in your files. Please advise.

Thank you.

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California Priest is Accused of 8-Year Sexual Relationship

New York Times/May 2, 2002
By Anthony DePalma

A 31-year-old man said yesterday that the Rev. David F. Granadino, who is now pastor of a close-knit parish in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, cultivated a sexual relationship with him when he was a boy and continued it for eight years.

The accusations of the man, Jeffrey L. Griswold of Norwalk, Calif., are being investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Mr. Griswold said that after investigators wired him with a recording device he confronted Father Granadino in February and that the priest admitted the inappropriate relationship.

Several priests have been removed in recent months by Cardinal Roger M. Mahony, the leader of the diocese. On Monday, Cardinal Mahony was named in a racketeering suit contending that children in the archdiocese continued to be molested because he transferred abusive priests from parish to parish.

In the latest accusations, Mr. Griswold said that starting in the mid-1980's when he was a 13-year-old altar boy at St. John of God parish in Norwalk, Father Granadino regularly visited his house, at times on the pretense of hearing his confession.

Mr. Griswold said that after hearing the confession, the priest would take off some of the boy's clothing and spank, kiss or massage him.

Mr. Griswold's father had died years before, he said, and his mother suspected nothing.

"This continued for a number of years," Mr. Griswold said in a telephone interview from the office of his lawyer, Katherine K. Freberg of Irvine, Calif. "It felt awkward at the time, but I did not understand it as a molestation. Definitely, I had love for him and he had love for me."

Mr. Griswold said that in 1991, when he was 21, Father Granadino ended the abuse.

Last December Mr. Griswold notified the police, and a few months later went to see Father Granadino. In a conversation that was recorded, Mr. Griswold said the priest acknowledged abusing him.

Mr. Griswold said he had decided to speak out because it might not be possible to bring charges against the priest. Ms. Freberg said California law might not allow a civil complaint to be filed because so much time had passed. The state's statute of limitations allows exceptions, she said, but only if the abuse involves certain sexual acts.

Ms. Freberg has represented several men who say they were sexually abused by priests in the Los Angeles Diocese, including Ryan DiMaria, who last December won an award of $5.2 million against the diocese.

Don Steier, Father Granadino's lawyer, declined to comment on Mr. Griswold's accusations.

"In as much as we don't really have many facts confirmed at this time," Mr. Steier said, "I think we should just defer comment and let the investigators do their investigation."

In a separate case, detectives have questioned about 100 teenagers and their parents in Azusa, Calif., where Father Granadino is pastor of St. Frances of Rome parish. He has been accused of touching several children in an inappropriate way, including massaging their shoulders.

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles gave Father Granadino a leave of absence from the parish in March. He remains in Southern California, Mr. Steier said.

Parishioners in Azusa have steadfastly supported Father Granadino despite the accusations against him. Several got into a fray with protesters from outside the parish who came to St. Frances of Rome last month to demonstrate against the priest.